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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: 8/22/83, WITHOUT

FAIL. (B) JOHN R. SILBER

BUREAU HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO CONDUCT EXPEDITE INVESTI-  
 GATION OF SILBER FOR PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT, POSITION WITH  
 THE NATIONAL BIPARTISAN COMMISSION ON CENTRAL AMERICA WHICH  
 REQUIRES ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED MATERIAL AND WILL REQUIRE SENATE  
 CONFIRMATION.

SILBER WAS BORN ON AUGUST 15, 1926, IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS,  
 AND HAS SSAN 464-28-3640.

RESIDENCES: 1932 TO AUGUST, 1947, 1919 CINCINNATI AVENUE,  
 SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; AUGUST, 1947, TO AUGUST, 1948, 107 STARR  
 STREET, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT; 1948 TO 1948, 1806 TRAVIS  
 HEIGHTS BOULEVARD, AUSTIN, TEXAS; AUGUST, 1949, TO AUGUST,  
 1950, 133 BRIARCLIFF ROAD, HAMDEN, CONNECTICUT; AUGUST, 1950,  
 TO AUGUST, 1953, 64 LAKE PLACE, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT; AUGUST,  
 1953, TO APRIL, 1955, 195 FOXON ROAD, EAST HAVEN, CONNECTICUT;  
 APRIL, 1955, TO AUGUST, 1955, 55 WILKINS STREET, NEW HAVEN,  
 CONNECTICUT; AUGUST, 1955, TO FEBRUARY, 1956, 1803 ALGUNO  
 ROAD, AUSTIN, TEXAS; SEPTEMBER, 1959, TO JULY, 1960 66  
 HUPPENBERGSTR, PECH/BAD GODSBERG, GERMANY; FEBRUARY, 1956,

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TO AUGUST, 1961, 2705 PARKVIEW DRIVE, AUSTIN, TEXAS; AUGUST, 1961, TO JANUARY, 1971, 3124 WHEELER STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS; JANUARY, 1971, TO OCTOBER, 1971, 10 EMERSON STREET, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS; OCTOBER, 1971, TO JANUARY, 1972, 132 CARLTON STREET, BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS; JANUARY, 1972, TO SEPTEMBER, 1972, SARGENT CROSSWAY, BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS; SEPTEMBER, 1972, TO THE PRESENT 132 CARLTON STREET, BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS.

EDUCATION: 1943 TO 1947, TRINITY UNIVERSITY, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, RECEIVING A.B.A. DEGREE SUMMA CUM LAUDE; 1944-SUMMER, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF MUSIC, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, NO DEGREE OBTAINED; 1947 TO 1948, YALE DIVINITY SCHOOL, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, NO DEGREE OBTAINED; 1948-FALL, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF LAW, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, NO DEGREE OBTAINED; 1949 TO 1955, YALE UNIVERSITY, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, RECEIVING M.A. AND PH.D. DEGREES (AWARDED IN 1956).

EMPLOYMENT: SEPTEMBER, 1950, TO SEPTEMBER, 1952, FOXON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, EAST HAVEN, CONNECTICUT; SEPTEMBER, 1947, TO MAY, 1948, HULL MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH, CHESHIRE,

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CONNECTICUT; 1948-SUMMER, ENUMERATOR FOR THE BUREAU OF CENSUS,  
RETAIL BUSINESS, MANUFACTURING, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; 1949-SUMMER,  
CENSUS ENUMERATOR FOR THE BUREAU OF THE CENSUS, AUSTIN, TEXAS;  
SEPTEMBER, 1949, TO SEPTEMBER, 1955, YALE UNIVERSITY,  
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT; SEPTEMBER, 1955, TO JANUARY 15, 1973,  
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, AUSTIN, TEXAS; JANUARY 15,  
1973, TO THE PRESENT, TRUSTEES OF BOSTON UNIVERSITY, 147 BAY  
STATE ROAD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

RELATIVES: MOTHER, JEWELL ZEMARY JOSLIN, BORN NOVEMBER 13,  
1894, AND RESIDES AT 1919 CINCINNATI, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS;  
SPOUSE, MARY KATHRYN UNDERWOOD, BORN JANUARY 31, 1927, AND  
RESIDES AT 132 CARLTON STREET, BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS;  
BROTHER, [REDACTED] BORN [REDACTED] AND  
RESIDES AT [REDACTED]; SON, DAVID  
JOSLIN SILBER, BORN FEBRUARY 23, 1953, AND RESIDES AT 14  
MORTON STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK; DAUGHTER, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BORN [REDACTED], AND RESIDES AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ABOVE; DAUGHTER, [REDACTED] BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND RESIDES SAME AS ABOVE; WARD, [REDACTED] BORN

[REDACTED] AND RESIDES SAME AS ABOVE; WARD, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BORN [REDACTED] AND RESIDES AT [REDACTED]

REFERENCES AND ASSOCIATES: LT. GENERAL VICTOR H. KRULAK,

3665 CARLETON STREET, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA; MR. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NEW JERSEY;

MR. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NEW HAMPSHIRE; DR. ARTHUR G. B. METCALF, ELECTRONICS

CORPORATION OF AMERICA, ONE MEMORIAL DRIVE, CAMBRIDGE,

MASSACHUSETTS; MR. GEORGE HART, P.O. BOX 156, ROSS, CALIFORNIA;

[REDACTED] THE NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY, FIFTH

AVENUE AND 42ND STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

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ALEXANDRIA CHECK CIA.

CINCINNATI CHECK DISCO.

PITTSBURGH CHECK OPM.

SAINT LOUIS CHECK FRC-CIVILIAN.

SAN ANTONIO THROUGH RECORDS AT UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS VERIFY  
RECEIPT OF FULLBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP AND OVERSEAS STUDY IN  
WEST GERMANY.

BOSTON, NEW HAVEN AND SAN ANTONIO ARE INSTRUCTED TO  
CONTACT THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICES WHEREVER APPOINTEE  
HAS LIVED OR WORKED AS AN ADULT TO DETERMINE IF ANY INFORMATION  
INDICATING FEDERAL PROSECUTIVE ACTION CONCERNING APPOINTEE.

BOSTON, AS PRINCIPAL OFFICE, INSURE AT LEAST TWENTY-  
FIVE TO THIRTY PERSONS KNOWLEDGEABLE CONCERNING APPOINTEE ARE  
INTERVIEWED.

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16 GATION OF SILBER FOR PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT, POSITION WITH  
14 THE NATIONAL BIPARTISAN COMMISSION ON CENTRAL AMERICA WHICH  
REQUIRES ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED MATERIAL AND WILL REQUIRE SENATE  
CONFIRMATION.

12 SILBER WAS BORN ON AUGUST 35, 1926, IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS,  
AND HAS SSAN 464-28-3640.

10 INVESTIGATION SHOULD RECEIVE PRIORITY ATTENTION AND  
RECEIVING OFFICES SHOULD TELEPHONICALLY ADVISE FBIHQ OF ANY  
DEROGATORY INFORMATION DEVELOPED AND CONFIRM BY TELETYPE.

8 RECEIVING OFFICES NOTE THAT ALL PERIODS OF APPOINTEE'S  
6 LIFE MUST BE ACCOUNTED FOR AND IF DURING THE COURSE OF INVESTI-  
LEADS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO BOSTON TO HAVE APPOINTEE CONTACTED  
AND TO HAVE HIS ACTIVITIES DURING SPECIFIC PERIODS IDENTIFIED.

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Subject Silber, John Robert

Birthdate &amp; Place \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Address AKA: Mrs John Robert Silber  
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Subject Silber, Paul George  
Birthdate & Place 5-18-1881 Berlin Germany  
Address Deceased

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Subject Silber, David Soslin  
Birthdate & Place 2-21-53 New Haven, CT  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

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A search of the fingerprints on the above individual has failed to disclose  
prior arrest data.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 2, 1983

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FROM: FRED F. FIELDING  
SUBJECT: FBI Investigations

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Subject's Name SILBER, JOHN ROBERT (SS# 464-28-3640)  
Date of Birth Aug. 15, 1926 Place of Birth San Antonio, TX  
Present Address 132 Carlton Street, Brookline, MA

We request: Copy of Previous Report  
Name Check  
X Full Field Investigation NO IRS TO FBI  
Limited Update

The person named above is being considered for:

White House Staff Position  
X Presidential Appointment  
(ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION NECESSARY)

Handle as  
Sensitive Confidential

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X SF 87, Fingerprint Card

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Standard Form 86

AUGUST 1964  
U.S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
(F.P.M. CHAPTER 736)  
86-107SECURITY INVESTIGATION DATA  
FOR SENSITIVE POSITION

CASE SERIAL NO. (CSC use only)

INSTRUCTIONS.—Prepare in triplicate, using a typewriter. Fill in all items. If the answer is "No" or "None," so state. If more space is needed for any item, continue under item 28.

1. FULL NAME  (Initials and abridgements of full name are not acceptable. If no middle name, show "(NMN)". If initials only, show "(no given or middle name)".	(LAST NAME) <b>SILBER,</b>	(FIRST NAME) <b>John</b>	(MIDDLE NAME) <b>Robert</b>	2. DATE OF BIRTH <b>August 15, 1926</b>
OTHER NAMES USED (Maiden name, names by former marriages, former names changed legally or otherwise, aliases, nicknames, etc. Specify which, and show dates used)				3. PLACE OF BIRTH <b>San Antonio, Texas</b>
Telephone Numbers: Office - 617-353-2208 Home - 617-353-2220				4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
5. HEIGHT <b>5'8"</b>		WEIGHT <b>142</b>		COLOR EYES <b>blue</b>
				COLOR HAIR <b>brown</b>
6. <input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOW(ER) <input type="checkbox"/> DIVORCED	7. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED, GIVE FULL NAME AND DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH OF SPOUSE OR FORMER SPOUSE. INCLUDE WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME. GIVE DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE OR DIVORCE. (Give same information regarding all previous marriages and divorces.) <b>Mary Kathryn Underwood, b. January 31, 1927, Normana, Texas</b> <b>m. July 12, 1947, San Antonio, Texas</b>			

8. DATES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE. (If actual places of residence differ from the mailing addresses, furnish and identify both. Begin with present and go back to January 1, 1937. Continue under item 28 on other side if necessary.)

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8/50	8/53	64 Lake Place	New Haven	CT
8/49	8/50	131 Briarcliff Road	Hamden	CT

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10. EDUCATION. (All schools above elementary.)

NAME OF SCHOOL	ADDRESS	FROM (Year)	TO (Year)	DEGREES
Yale University, New Haven, CT		1949	NH 1955	M.A., Ph.D. (awarded in 1956)
University of Texas School of Law		1948-Fall	SA	
Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT		1947	NH 1948	
Northwestern University, School of Music		1944-Summer	CG	
Trinity University, San Antonio, TX		1943	SA 1947	B.A., summa cum laude
Thomas Jefferson High School, San Antonio		1940	1943	

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11. THIS SPACE FOR FBI USE. (See also item 29.)	12. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER <b>464-28-3640</b>
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<b>167-174605</b>	<b>174605</b>
FROM (Yr.)	TO (Yr.)

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26a. REFERENCES. (Name three persons, not relatives or employers, who are aware of your qualifications and fitness.)

NAME IN FULL

HOME ADDRESS

BUSINESS ADDRESS

YEARS KNOWN

Lt. General Victor H. Krulak 3665 Carleton St.  
USMc, Ret. San Diego, CA 92106

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714-225-3353

SEE ATTACHED SHEET

26b CLOSE PERSONAL ASSOCIATES. (Name three persons, such as friends, schoolmates or colleagues, who know you well)

NAME IN FULL

HOME ADDRESS

BUSINESS ADDRESS

YEARS KNOWN

Dr. Arthur G. B. Metcalf Myopia Hill  
Winchester, MA

Electronics Corp. of America 11-1/2  
One Memorial Drive  
Cambridge, MA 02142 BS 617-864-8000

SEE ATTACHED SHEET

27. TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, HAVE YOU EVER BEEN THE SUBJECT OF A FULL FIELD OR BACKGROUND PERSONAL INVESTIGATION BY ANY AGENCY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT? ☒ YES ☐ NO. (If your answer is "Yes," show in item 28, (1) the name of the investigating agency (2) the approximate date of investigation, and (3) the level of security clearance granted, if known)

28. SPACE FOR CONTINUING ANSWERS TO OTHER QUESTIONS. (Show item numbers to which answers apply. Attach a separate sheet if there is not enough space here.)

Question #27

1. Defense Industrial Security Clearance Office (DISCO), Columbus, Ohio CI-DISCO
2. 1981
3. Secret, granted 3/13/81

29 REPORT OF INFORMATION DEVELOPED. (This space reserved for FBI use.)

DATE:

Before signing this form check back over it to make sure you have answered all questions fully and correctly.

**CERTIFICATION**

I CERTIFY that the statements made by me on this form are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith.

False statement on this form  
is punishable by law.

(DATE)

(SIGNATURE—Sign original and first carbon copy)

**INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED BY AGENCY**

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DATE OF APPOINTMENT	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT <input type="checkbox"/> EXCEPTED <input type="checkbox"/> COMPETITIVE. (Include indefinite and temporary types of competitive appointments.)	CIVIL SERVICE REGULATION NUMBER OR OTHER APPOINTMENT AUTHORITY	TITLE OF POSITION AND GRADE OR SALARY
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14. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM THE ARMED FORCES UNDER OTHER THAN HONORABLE CONDITIONS? ☐ YES ☒ NO.  
(If answer is "Yes," give details in item 28.)

15. EMPLOYMENT. (List ALL employment dates starting with your present employment. Give both month and year for all dates. Show ALL dates and addresses when unemployed. Give name under which employed if different from name now used.)

FROM	TO	NAME OF EMPLOYER (Firm or agency) AND SUPERVISOR (Full name, if known)	ADDRESS (Where employed)	TYPE OF WORK	REASON FOR LEAVING
1/15/71	Present	Trustees of Boston University	147 Bay State Road Boston, MA 02215	President & Trustee	
9/55	1/15/71	The University of Texas at Austin	Austin, TX	Assistant Professor, Dept. of Philosophy, 1955-59 Associate Professor, Dept. of Philosophy, 1959-62 *Chairman, Department of Philosophy, 1962-67 Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, 1967-70 University Professor in Arts and Letters, 1967-70	Appointment to Boston University
9/1949	9/1955	Yale University	New Haven, CT.	Faculty Appointment at University of Texas	
		Reader in Philosophy, Dept. of Philosophy, 1949-51			
		Assistant in Instruction, Dept. of Philosophy, 1951-52			
		Instructor, Dept. of Philosophy, 1952-55			
1949 Summer		Census Enumerator for the Bureau of Census - Retail Bureau Austin, Texas			
1948 Summer		Enumerator for the Bureau of Census	San Antonio, TX		part time
		Retail Business Manufacturing			
9/1947	5/1948	Hull Memorial Baptist Church, Cheshire, CT		Choirmaster	part time
9/1950	9/1952	Foxon Congregational Church, East Haven, CT		Choirmaster	part time
		*Full Professor, Department of Philosophy			1962-70

16. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED (FIRED) FROM EMPLOYMENT FOR ANY REASON? ☒ YES ☐ NO See Attached Sheet

17. HAVE YOU EVER RESIGNED (QUIT) AFTER BEING INFORMED THAT YOUR EMPLOYER INTENDED TO DISCHARGE (FIRE) YOU FOR ANY REASON? ☐ YES ☒ NO.  
(If your answer to 16 or 17 above is "Yes," give details in item 28. Show the name and address of employer, approximate date, and reasons in each case. This information should agree with the statements made in item 15--EMPLOYMENT.)

18. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED, TAKEN INTO CUSTODY, HELD FOR INVESTIGATION OR QUESTIONING, OR CHARGED BY ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY? (You may omit: (1) Traffic violations for which you paid a fine of \$30 or less; and (2) anything that happened before your 16th birthday. All other incidents must be included, even though they were dismissed or you merely forfeited collateral.) ☐ YES ☒ NO.

IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES," GIVE FULL DETAILS BELOW:

DATE	CHARGE	PLACE	LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY	ACTION TAKEN
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19. HAVE YOU EVER HAD A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN OR HAVE YOU EVER HAD MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR A MENTAL CONDITION? ☐ YES ☒ NO.  
(If your answer is "Yes," give details in item 28.)

20. FOREIGN COUNTRIES VISITED (SINCE 1930). (Exclusive of military service.)

COUNTRY	DATE LEFT U.S.A.	DATE RETURNED U.S.A.	PURPOSE
Germany (side trips to France, Italy, Greece, Switzerland - for pleasure and sightseeing.)	August 1959	August 1960	Fulbright Research Fellowship, University of Bonn

21. ARE YOU NOW, OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN, A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A., OR ANY COMMUNIST OR FASCIST ORGANIZATION? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

22. ARE YOU NOW OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A MEMBER OF ANY FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC ORGANIZATION, ASSOCIATION, MOVEMENT, GROUP, OR COMBINATION OF PERSONS WHICH IS TOTALITARIAN, FASCIST, COMMUNIST, OR SUBVERSIVE, OR WHICH HAS ADOPTED, OR SHOWS, A POLICY OF ADVOCATING OR APPROVING THE COMMISSION OF ACTS OF FORCE OR VIOLENCE TO DENY OTHER PERSONS THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, OR WHICH SEEKS TO ALTER THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES BY UNCONSTITUTIONAL MEANS? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

23. IF YOUR ANSWER TO QUESTION 21 OR 22 ABOVE IS "YES," STATE THE NAMES OF ALL SUCH ORGANIZATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, MOVEMENTS, GROUPS, OR COMBINATIONS OF PERSONS AND DATES OF MEMBERSHIP. IN ITEM 28 OR ON A SEPARATE SHEET TO BE ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THIS FORM, GIVE COMPLETE DETAILS OF YOUR ACTIVITIES THEREIN AND MAKE ANY EXPLANATION YOU DESIRE REGARDING YOUR MEMBERSHIP OR ACTIVITIES.

NAME IN FULL	ADDRESS	FROM	TO	OFFICE HELD
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24. MEMBERSHIP IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. (List all organizations in which you are now a member or have been a member, except those which show religious or political affiliations.) (If none, so state.)

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American Philosophical Association  
University of Delaware, Newark, DE

Professional 1956 Present

Texas Society to Abolish Capital  
Punishment, Austin, TX

Professional 1960 1970 Chairman, 1960-69

Southwestern Philosophical Society

Professional 1955 Present President, 1966-67

(See attached sheet)

25. RELATIVES. (Parents, spouse, divorced spouse, children, brothers, and sisters, living or dead. Name of spouse should include maiden name and any other names by previous marriage. If person is dead, state "dead" after relationship and furnish information for other columns as of time of death.)

RELATION	NAME IN FULL	YEAR OF BIRTH	ADDRESS	COUNTRY OF BIRTH	PRESENT CITIZENSHIP
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Father (dead) Paul George Silber 1881

1919 Cincinnati  
San Antonio, TX

Germany

U.S.

Mother Jewell Zemary Joslin 1894

1919 Cincinnati  
San Antonio, TX

U.S.

U.S.

Spouse Mary Kathryn Underwood 1927

132 Carlton St.  
Brookline, MA

U.S.

U.S.

Brother

U.S.

U.S.

Son David Joslin Silber 1953

14 Morton St.  
New York, NY

U.S.

U.S.

Daughter

U.S.

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Daughter

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U.S.

See addendum for complete DOBC.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 2, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR

FROM:

SUBJECT: Silber, John Robert (PAS)

The following information was provided telephonically to this office by the secretary of Mr. John R. Silber regarding question #25 of his Form 86:

<u>RELATION</u>	<u>NAME IN FULL</u>	<u>DATE OF BIRTH</u>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH</u>
Father (D)	Paul George Silber	May 18, 1881	Berlin, Germany
Mother	Jewell Zemary Joslin	Nov. 13, 1894	Milane County, TX
Brother			TX
Son	David Joslin Silber	Feb. 21, 1953	New Haven, CT
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Question #8 continued

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Number and Street</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>
1948	1948	1806 Travis Heights Boulevard	Austin	SA TX
8/1947	8/1948	107 Starr Street	New Haven	NH CT
1932	8/1947	1919 Cincinnati Avenue	San Antonio	SA TX

Question #16 continued:      Answered "Yes"

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September 1955 to January 1971 - The University of Texas at Austin, Texas.

I was removed as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Texas at Austin, July 1970, as a result of my opposition to the division of that College. I retained my position as Professor of Philosophy and University Professor of Arts and Letters. Copies of New York Times article and Time magazine article.

QUESTION 20 FOREIGN COUNTRIES VISITED (SINCE 1930).

<u>Country</u>	<u>Date Left U.S.A.</u>	<u>Date Returned</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Japan, Korea, Hong Kong	9/25/82	10/10/82	University Business
Germany	1/18/83	1/23/83	Conference at Universitat Bayreuth
Germany, Switzerland England	5/24/83	6/19/83	B.U. Overseas Commence- ment and personal travel.

QUESTION 26a REFERENCES

Mr.

Home Address has changed:

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remains the same

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<u>Country</u>	<u>Date left USA</u>	<u>Date returned USA</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
England (visited France, Italy, Denmark - sightseeing)	July 1963	September 1964	Guggenheim Fellowship, Kings College, London
Germany	July 1965	September 1965	
Germany	Annual visits since 1971		To inspect Overseas Graduate Programs of Boston University and attend June Commencements
Canada (Montreal)	Sept 27, 1972	Sept 30, 1972	Canadian-U.S. Educators' Conference, Institute of International Education
Germany (Mainz)	April 4, 1974	April 10, 1974	International Kant Congress
Canada (Montreal)	Dec 8, 1974	Dec 9, 1974	Eastern Association of College and University Business Officers annual meeting
Germany (Hamburg)	Feb 10, 1975	Feb 13, 1975	Boston University Institute of Music Theatre dedication
Belgium (Brussels)	Sept 17, 1975	Sept 26, 1975	Boston University Commence- ment
Greece (Athens)	Aug 6, 1976	Aug 14, 1976	Boston University summer Classics program
Netherlands	Jan 14, 1978	Jan 22, 1978	Conference on Higher Education, American Embassy/Dutch Ministry of Education; conferences at University of Leyden and University of Amsterdam
Bermuda	May 25, 1978	May 27, 1978	Massachusetts Bankers Assn., Senior Management Semina
Switzerland (Geneva)	Nov 9, 1978	Nov 18, 1978	European Council of International Schools
Switzerland (Biel)	Apr 29, 1980	May 6, 1980	Kant Colloquium
Belgium (Brussels)	Feb 6, 1981	Feb 12, 1981	Boston University Commence- ment
Germany (Mainz)	Apr 3, 1981	Apr 12, 1981	International Kant Congress
Portugal (Lisbon)	Apr 25, 1981	May 5, 1981	Third International Conference, International Council on the Future of the University (Travel in Spain and Switzerland following completion of conference 5/2)
Germany (Bad Godesberg)	Sept 1, 1981	Sept 7, 1981	Conference under auspices of Konrad Adenauer Foundation
Switzerland, Italy, France, Germany, Greece, Israel	May 30, 1982	June 28, 1982	Boston University Commencement in Heidelberg and travel with family

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Question #24 continued:

Membership in Other Organizations:

<u>Name in Full</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Office Held</u>
Aristotelian Society	Great Britain	Professional	1963	Present	
Royal Institute of Philosophy	Gr. Britain	Professional	1963	1964	
Phi Beta Kappa Trinity University (first Alumni member)	San Antonio TX	Honorary	1975	Present	
National Humanities Faculty 1735 Lowergate Drive Atlanta, GA 30322		Professional	1968	1973	Member, Board of Directors
National Humanities Institute Yale University New Haven, CT		Professional	1975	1978	Member, Executive Board
Air University Maxwell Air Force Base Alabama 36112		Professional	1974	1980	Member, Board of Visitors
College of St. Scholastica 1200 Kenwood Avenue Duluth, MN 55811		Professional	1973	Present	Trustee
WGBH Educational Foundation 125 Western Avenue Boston, MA 02134		Professional	1974	Present	Trustee
The Franklin J. Matchette Foundation 251 Brahan Boulevard, #2 San Antonio, Texas 78215		Professional	1969	Present	Member, Board of Advisors
Greater Boston Council, Boy Scouts of America 891 Centre Street Boston, MA 02130		Professional	1981	Present	Member, Board of Directors
Royal Society of Arts John Adam Street Adelphi, London WC2N 6EZ, England		Professional 1981 and Honorary		Present	
The Commercial Club of Boston The Merchants Club 520 Statler Office Building Boston, MA 02116		Social	1971	Present	

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St. Botolph Club, Inc. 199 Commonwealth Avenue Boston, MA	Social	1973	Present
Algonquin Club of Boston 217 Commonwealth Avenue Boston, MA	Social	1977	Present
University Club of Boston 426 Stuart Street Boston, MA 02116	Social	1975	Present
University Club of New York 1 West 54th Street New York, NY 10019	Social	1971	Present

Question #25 continued:

<u>Relation</u>	<u>Name in Full</u>	<u>Year of Birth</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Country of Birth</u>	<u>Present Citizenship</u>
Daughter				U.S. BS	U.S.
Daughter				U.S.	U.S.
Daughter				U.S.	U.S.
Daughter				U.S.	U.S.
*Ward				U.S.	U.S. b6 b7C
*Ward				U.S. NK	U.S.

\*Wards until their 21st birthdays; Parents:

*See addendum for complete DOBs.*

Question #26a

<u>Name</u>	<u>Home Address</u>	<u>Business Address</u>	<u>Years Known</u>
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		N.J. 07960	
		New Hampshire 03842	

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Question 26b

<u>Name</u>	<u>Home Address</u>	<u>Business Address</u>	<u>Years Known</u>
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## EDUCATION

### The Emperor of U.T.

Frank C. Erwin Jr. is the biggest booster the University of Texas has. His Cadillac is orange and white—the school colors—and he dotes on the national-champion Longhorn football team. He is a tireless money raiser and wants nothing less than to make the U.T. system the best in the country. He has no patience with anyone or anything he considers damaging to his beloved alma mater—and since Erwin is chairman of the university's board of regents, his antagonists are automatically on red alert.

Erwin cannot, for instance, abide student dissent, even the relatively bland variety found in the American Southwest. He is convinced that the survival

Regent Erwin, who was appointed to the board by Governor John Connally in 1963, is a rich, 50-year-old Austin lawyer, a longtime crony of Lyndon Johnson's, and a former Democratic National Committeeman. He is now emperor of the University of Texas. His idea of a great university is one where teachers teach, students study and regents govern at his direction. His strict construction of those views has kept him at constant odds with students and faculty.

Two years ago, Erwin threw a birthday party for Governor Connally in the U.T. gym. When antiwar students outside protested the presence of Lyndon Johnson, Erwin called them "a bunch of dirty nothin's." Last fall Erwin personally directed bulldozers in a

need do is quit playing games in the newspapers and submit his resignation."

Gaudy Caddy. Erwin is hardly a knee-jerk reactionary. Like many a Texas Democrat, he is coldly conservative on some issues, warmly liberal on others. When it comes to education, he is all populist, believing that every Texas youngster deserves a shot at college. He is probably the best education lobbyist in the state's history: U.T. appropriations have risen 175% in the past four years. Lieutenant Governor Ben Barnes keeps an aquarium in his office and calls its most aggressive angelfish "Frank." But many friends see danger in Erwin's hyperenergetic loyalty to U.T. Some, for instance, refuse to get into his gaudy Caddy until he starts the engine. "They think some of those damned militants might plant a bomb on me," he says. Then he adds, with characteristic candor: "I can't blame them for thinking that way."

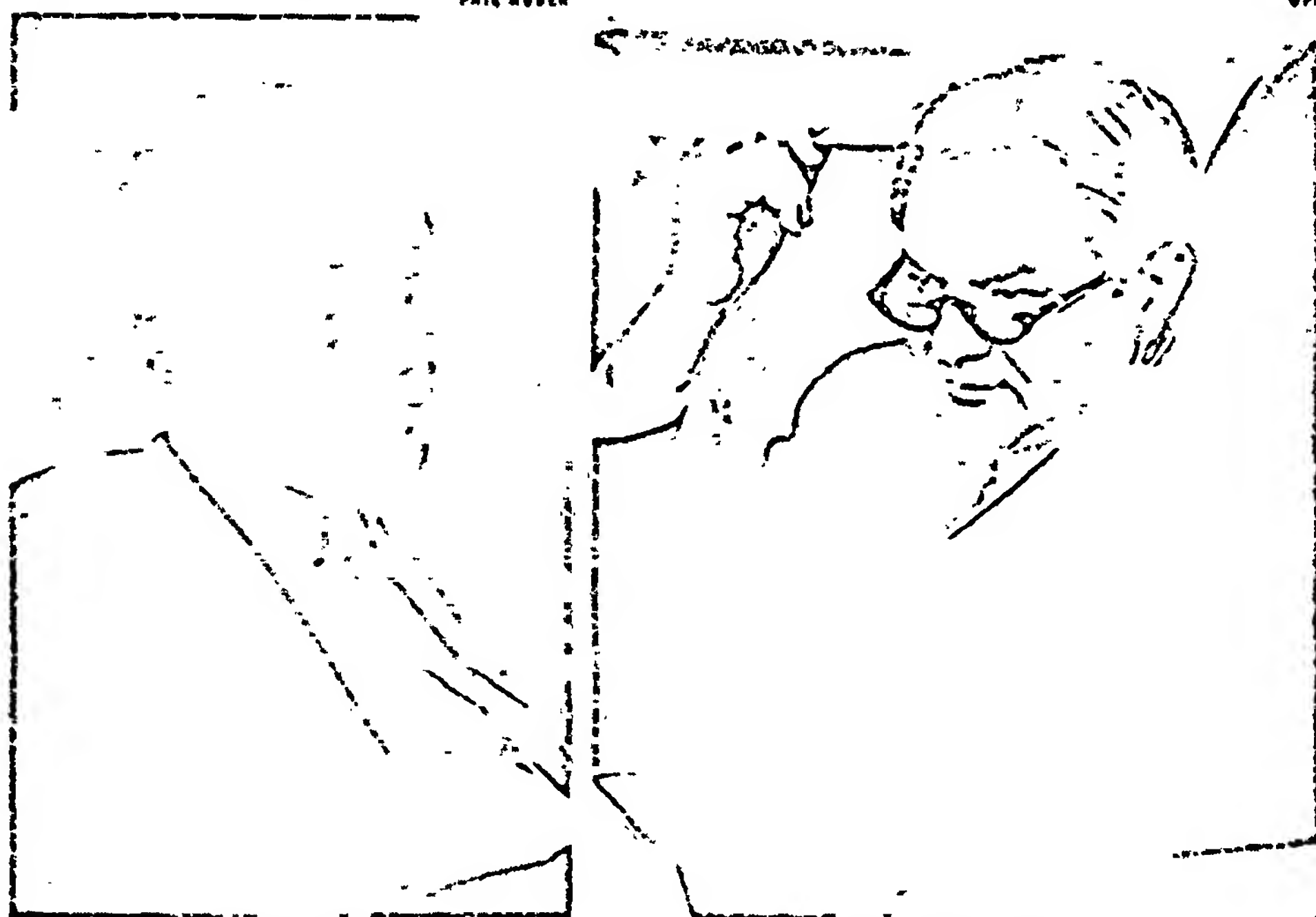
In fact, there is apprehension that U.T. is headed for a crisis or a decline or both. Erwin has called for "administrators with more courage and backbone than has been demonstrated in the past two or three years." Interim president, Bryce Jordan, is a musicologist (specialty: the piccolo) and a hard-liner on campus disorder. His new chancellor is Dr. Charles LeMaistre, a medical doctor who treated Erwin's wife through a terminal bout with cancer. Many faculty members agree with Classics Professor William Arrowsmith, who feels that those who now control U.T. are "interested only in mediocrities and non-entities who can be counted on to carry out the wishes of Chairman Erwin."

That may be unfair. The chairman, who spends more than 40 hours per week toiling for U.T., obviously feels that his wishes coincide with the university's needs. Even so, he is smarting from widespread dissatisfaction with the Silber firing. Some critics pointed out that as one consequence of the Silber affair, U.T. bypassed a \$200,000 Ford Foundation grant for experimentation in teaching techniques—a grant that was to be based in part on Silber's distinguished record. Key politicians have been silent about the firing—so far. It is too early to predict whether the American Association of University Professors will censure U.T. That happened in 1946, and few Texans welcome the prospect of reliving the bad old days.

### A Jovial Insipid Subject

One of the pressures of entering fourth grade is an accelerated vocabulary. Most children find—and happily master—scores of big, new words in their textbooks. But for many inner-city children, whose parents do not use such words, the encounter can be agony. Unable to cope with their books, the kids often give up and quit learning.

In St. Louis last year, School Superintendent William Kottmeyer devised a new method for making new words alluring to 24,000 children, 68% of whom



JOHN SILBER

FRANK ERWIN JR.

*Even the blondest brand of dissent won't do.*

of public universities is at stake, a feeling that many other citizens share. In the past four months, he has engineered the abrupt departures of six administrators, including Chancellor Harry Ransom and President (Austin campus) Norman Hackerman—both of whom, it is thought, were too soft on student militancy to suit Erwin. The latest casualty: Dr. John R. Silber, 43, one of the country's leading philosophers, who was fired as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, though he still retains his professorship. Dean Silber was ousted primarily because he opposed the administration's plan to split his college into smaller schools. He was also a target because of his liberalism, aggressiveness and potential candidacy for the U.T. presidency. According to one professor, Erwin told Silber: "John, you are the most intelligent, articulate and persistent man around. You scare the hell out of the incompetents above you."

confrontation with students over the uprooting of some stately oak and cypress trees to make way for expansion of the football stadium. He then pushed through a rule forbidding administrators to negotiate with disruptive students. Last January a straw poll of the 32,000 students at U.T.'s main campus in Austin showed 80% favoring Erwin's impeachment on the ground that he had "unwarrantedly interfered" with school operations. In the aftermath of Cambodia and Kent State, he refused to close down the Austin campus: "I'm unwilling to pay taxes to support an institution that just turns things over to these activist faculty members and students," says Erwin. "Students have no inherent rights to attend a college or university, just regardless of what they do." When some professors threatened to resign over Silber's dismissal, Erwin responded: "If any person employed by the university wishes to resign, all he



# Battle Between Regents and Faculty Rocks University of Texas

By ROBERT REINHOLD

See A1 to The New York Times

AUSTIN, Tex., Aug. 15—The University of Texas is struggling to regain its footing in the aftermath of an internal battle marked by a bitterness that has shocked even seasoned campus observers.

The battle has seen the almost complete turnover (to some, a political purge carried out by conservative regents) of the school's top administrators, the splitting up of the College of Arts and Sciences, the abrupt dismissal of its nationally respected dean and threats of resignation by many top professors.

"I've never seen such low, hard-knuckled old Boston ward politics as here," said one senior professor. "This is the worst I've seen in the academic world." Another said, "There's terror in the air."

For two weeks, the Texas campus has reverberated with charges of political interference by the regents, who are political appointees.

## Other Clashes

The situation reflects growing difficulties on the campuses of public universities in many states, including California and Colorado, where politically appointed or elected regents have clashed with the faculty and staff over educational and administrative policy.

The Texas story has all the elements of a Greek tragedy, with a cast of characters moving inexorably toward their predetermined fates. But many fear that it will leave the university in the backwash of education where it found itself in 1974, when its president, Homer P. Rainey, was dismissed by conservative regents in a similar struggle.



United Press International  
Frank C. Erwin Jr., chairman of board of regents of the University of Texas.



Dr. John R. Silber was dismissed as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The chief antagonists are Dr. John R. Silber, the charismatic and ambitious dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Frank C. Erwin Jr., chairman of the board of regents and a political friend of former President Lyndon B. Johnson and former Gov. John B. Connally Jr. of Texas.

Dr. Silber, 44 years old today, is a Yale-educated, Texas-born philosopher respected as an expert on Kant, the 18th-century German metaphysical philosopher. Dr. Silber has been given much of the credit for raising Texas to the first rank academically in many areas over the last three years. Until a year ago, he worked well with Mr. Erwin, who is 50.

Just why Dr. Silber should have become a target is not clear. He is no radical, and has vacillated from dovish to hawkish stands on the Vietnam war. "Silber talks liberal to liberals and conservative to conservatives," one observer said.

Mr. Erwin has been accused of trying to run the school politically. But even many of his enemies concede that he has worked hard to increase appropriations for the university and to raise its stature in his seven years as a regent.

Three weeks ago, on July 24, Dr. Silber was summarily dismissed as dean by Dr. Charles A. LeMaistre, Mr. Erwin's private physician, who was recently appointed chancellor-elect of the 10-campus system. Dr. Silber had earlier refused to resign at the request of Dr. Bryce Jordan, interim president of the Austin campus.

## Showing His Colors

No reason was given. Dr. Jordan said only that "the interests of the University of Texas at Austin required it." It is widely assumed here that the man behind the dismissal was Mr. Erwin, a man who loves the university so much that he drives around in a Cadillac painted orange and white—the school colors.

A week later, the regents voted, without faculty approval, to split the 15,000-student College of Arts and Sciences into three separate schools, abolishing Dr. Silber's job. The move was vigorously opposed by Dr. Silber.

According to Dr. Jordan, the split was made because the college had become too big and there was a need to "increasingly personalize the undergraduate experience." Others say it was a maneuver to dislodge Dr. Silber.

The events are the latest in a series of changes this year that have included the premature retirement of Chancellor Harry Ransom, who had some time ago relinquished duties to Dr. LeMaistre, and the departure of Dr. Norman Hackerman, the president of Austin, who was to head Rice University in Houston. Both changes are generally attributed to pressure from Mr. Erwin.

But Dr. Silber's dismissal has prompted the greatest unhappiness and the reasons remain obscure. In an interview, Dr. Jordan said, "I don't want to comment on the dean's dismissal other than to say it was an administrative decision."

Repeated calls to Mr. Erwin's law office here were unsuccessful in locating him for comment. Dr. Silber, reached by telephone on vacation in Vermont, said he had been given no reason for his dismissal.

## Attributed to Success

According to friends of Dr. Silber's, his dismissal was rooted in his success as an administrator and fund-raiser. "This is a man who overshadows everyone on the Austin campus," said one friend of the dean. "He is threatening to every other dean, the chancellor and even Frank Erwin, who likes to keep people under his control."

Another source, who asked not to be named, maintained that Mr. Erwin was "a man who aspires to take over the state" and was using the university as a political base.

This source described the rapidly expanding university system as the second largest industry in the state after oil, and said that millions of dollars worth of patronage and contracts were at stake. Dr. Silber was known to be a leading candidate for the presidency of the Austin campus.

But some faculty sources contended that the idea that Mr. Erwin and Dr. Silber were locked in a power struggle was a distortion. One professor portrayed Dr. Silber as an arrogant, vindictive man with as much ambition as Mr. Erwin, and who has used his position as dean to "buy" support for his own policy.

strong likes and dislikes," the professor said. "It is generally regarded that he made out salaries accordingly. Some of the highest salaries were received by his supporters."

According to one source, the last straw was an incident with a new department chairman who was promised substantial support by Dr. Silber. But this support, the source said, was made contingent on the new chairman's support for Dr. Silber in his battle with the regents over the proposal to split the college. Reportedly, the chairman complained to the top administration, and Dr. Silber was dismissed the next day.

Dr. Silber says the charges about salary favoritism are "absolutely false." As for the alleged pressuring of the new chairman, Dr. Silber said he had told the man only that he could not promise the support if the dean's job was abolished.

Whatever the real reason for Dr. Silber's dismissal, many fear the chief casualty will be the university. A number of professors have already said

that they would be looking for new jobs soon, although Dr. Silber has urged them to remain. He himself will stay on, at least for a year, as a philosophy professor.

Dr. William Arrowsmith, a classicist and educational critic, has said that "many of us are now doubtful that the University of Texas is a desirable place to teach."

"The atmosphere of corrupt arrogance and raw, vulgar exercise of power, which now characterizes the administration of the university, makes it

virtually certain that nothing The Daily Texan, the student of educational importance can newspaper, has decried what it any, longer happen here," he called "cutthroat methods" by is reported to have told Dr. the regents and has rallied behind Dr. Silber.

Mr. Erwin has said that he one threatening to resign was plans to resign as chairman of to "quit playing games in the the regents at the end of the newspapers and submit his res-year. Last year, the general ignation"—a statement that has faculty voted, 242 to 197, to annoyed many of his allies on call for his resignation, although only about one-third of the faculty.

While most of the 35,000 or the faculty voted. And last so students are away from the January, students also called campus, student reaction to for his ouster in a referendum, the dean's dismissal has gen- But only about 20 per cent of erally been one of outrage, the students voted.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 4, 1983

NOTE FOR

FROM:

The attached sheet is to be included with the Form 86 on Dr. John R. Silber (PAS). This information represents the only changes on his Form 86 which was submitted to you 8/2/83.

Thank you.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 4, 1983

NOTE FOR

FROM:

Attached are the recently dated waivers for Mr. John R. Silber. Would you please include them with the security forms sent to you on 8/2/83.

Thank you.

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## CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

## INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date August 4, 1983

Re: NATIONAL BIPARTISAN COMMISSION ON  
CENTRAL AMERICA

On 8/3/83, Richard A. Hauser, Deputy Counsel to the President, the White House, indicated twelve individuals were being considered for Presidential appointment to captioned commission. The individuals were identified as follows:

Nicholas F. Brady, New Jersey;  
Henry G. Cisneros, Texas;  
William P. Clements, Jr., Texas;  
Carlos F. Diaz-Alejandro, Connecticut;  
Wilson S. Johnson, California;  
Joseph Lane Kirkland, District of  
Columbia  
Henry A. Kissinger, New York;  
Richard M. Scammon, Maryland;  
Potter Stewart, District of Columbia;  
Robert S. Strauss, Texas;  
William B. Walsh, Maryland;  
✓ John R. Silber, Massachusetts.

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- 1 - Mr. Colwell
- 1 - Mr. Otto
- 1 - Mr. Revell
- 1 - Mr. O'Malley
- 1 - Mr. Young
- 1 - Mr. Clarke
- 1 - Mr. Gilbert
- 1 - Mr. O'Connor
- 1 - Mr. Keane

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CENTRAL AMERICA

Mr. Hauser indicated because of the sensitivity of information that the commission members would be handling that the White House desired these investigations to be afforded the same degree of investigation as a Presidential appointment - Senate confirmation, i.e. check of all FBI field divisions and data bases. Mr. Hauser indicated because of the short period since the prior investigations no requests for backgrounds on Mr. Kissinger or Mr. Kirkland would be made.

On 8/3/83, a White House request for a background investigation on John R. Silber was received. Mr. Hauser advised that the other requests will be forwarded shortly by the White House.

These investigations will receive the normal Presidential appointment 21 day deadline and a summary memorandum will be forwarded to the White House upon completion.

APPROVED: *[Signature]*

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

TO: JOHN R. SILBER.

This letter confirms in writing your express consent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation to make an investigation of your background as part of the consideration for your application for employment.

You should be aware that the authority to collect this background information is based on the President's executive powers in Article II of the Constitution. The information will be used to obtain necessary clearances to assist you in your work. The background information, which includes a review of FBI files, will be disclosed to another Federal agency, to assist in its process of clearing you. Willfully making a false statement, or concealing a material fact, may constitute a violation of Section 1001, Title 18, of the U.S. Code.

If you provide any information which indicates a violation of law, whether civil, criminal or regulatory in nature, it will be referred to the appropriate Federal, state, local or foreign agency.

By volunteering information about how you exercise rights guaranteed by the First Amendment, it will be assumed that you are expressly authorizing the maintenance of this information in the records of any Federal agency.

The FBI investigation will include the collection and use of relevant information in the files of various Federal agencies and it is necessary that you authorize the disclosure of such information to the FBI.

If you consent to such an investigation, and to the disclosure of relevant information by other Federal departments and agencies to the FBI, please sign your name below and return this original letter of consent to me.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Fred F. Fielding

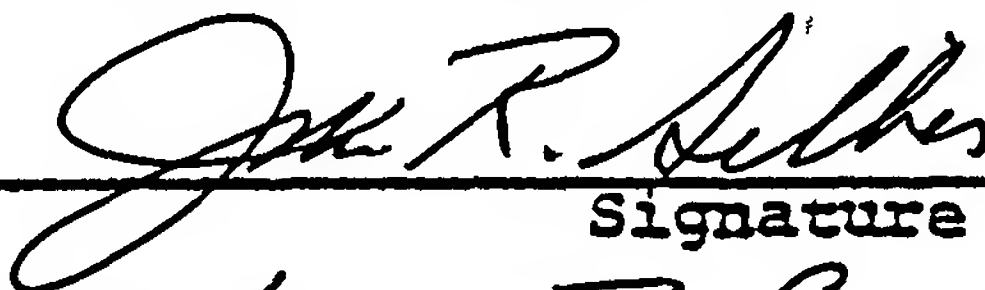
Approved: John R. Silber

Date: July 27, 1983

AUTHORITY TO RELEASE INFORMATIONTO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I hereby authorize any Special Agent or other authorized representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation bearing this release, or copy thereof, within one year of its date, to obtain any information in your files pertaining to my educational records including, but not limited to, academic, achievement, attendance, athletic, personal history, and disciplinary records; employment records; and credit records. I hereby direct you to release such information upon request of the bearer. This release is executed with full knowledge and understanding that the information is for the official use of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Consent is granted for the FBI to furnish such information, as is described above, to third parties in the course of fulfilling its official responsibilities. I hereby release you, as the custodian of such records, and any school, college, university, or other educational institution, credit bureau or consumer reporting agency, including its officers, employees, or related personnel, both individually and collectively, from any and all liability for damages of whatever kind, which may at any time result to me, my heirs, family or associates because of compliance with this authorization and request to release information, or any attempt to comply with it. Should there be any questions as to the validity of this release, you may contact me as indicated below:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_



Signature

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

JOHN R. SILBER

Type or Print Name

Parent/Guardian (if required): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

JUN 27, 1983

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_

132 Carlton St  
Brookline, MA 02146

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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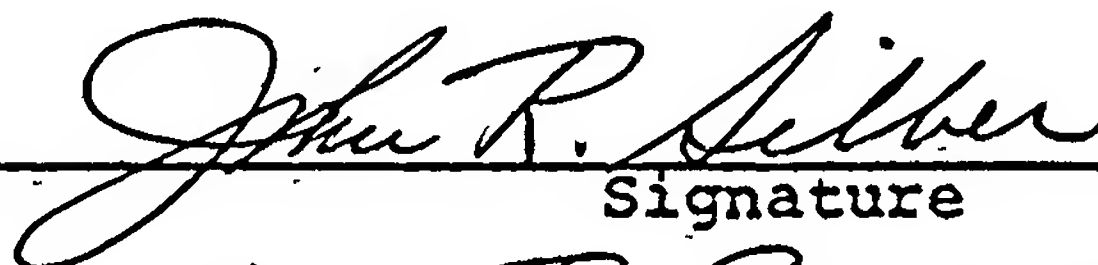
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August 15, 1982

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147 BAY ST. RD. BOSTON, MA. OFFICE

132 CARLTON, BROOKLINE, MA. HOME

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_



INDICES CHECKS

TO: OCIS, Rm 3050 TL - 231

IIS, Rm 4166 TL - 232

ELSUR, Rm 4997 TL - 114

FROM: SPECIAL INQUIRY, Rm 5161

SUBJECT: John Robert Silber, SPIN, BUDED: 8/18/83

Date Searched 8/17/83

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The Bureau has been requested to conduct and expedite investigation of the above-captioned subject, who is being considered for an unspecified Presidential appointment. The indicated unit is requested to check appropriate indices based upon available information concerning subject, employment, and all close relatives. It is requested that the results of your checks, whether positive or negative, be indicated in the spaces provided below, and relayed to the Special Inquiry Unit (SPIN), Rm 5161, via routing slip marked "URGENT."

Subject is described as follows:

Result

Name: John Robert Silber

DOB: 8/15/26

POB: San Antonio, TX

SSAN: 464-78-3640

Current residence: 132 Carlton Street

Brookline, MA

Employment: Boston University

Close Relatives:

<u>Result</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Residence</u>
_____	Father	Paul George Silber	5/13/1881	deceased
_____	Mother	Jewell Zemary Joslin	11/13/1894	1919 Cincinnati, San Antonio, TX
_____	Spouse	Mary Kathryn Underwood	1/31/27	132 Carlton St. Brookline, MA
_____	Brother	[Redacted]		
_____	Son	David Joslin Silber	2/21/53	14 Morton Street, New York, NY
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POB: San Antonio, TX

SSAN: 464-28-3640

Current residence: 132 Carlton Street

Brookline, MA

Employment: Boston University

Close Relatives:

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JOSLIN SILBER, BORN FEBRUARY 21, 1953, AND RESIDES AT 14

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Secy to VP for Academic Affairs UTAT

Apr 70 - Fall 1959 - Fall 1960 - 8/60

Leave from ~~UTAT~~ - Summer 1960 to Bonn, West Germany

Univ of Bonn.

Fulbright Research Assistant





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DOB 8/15/26 @ San Antonio, TX

attended Sp. 49 - 1 course - Failed

attended Fall 49 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sem Law School

GPA 85 on 100 pt. scale.

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Office of Ed. Hqs.

College of Liberal Arts

was [redacted] for Student Affairs in College of H & S  
from Jan 1969 → 8/70. How it felt  
by his wife 1970 - no patience for stupidity -  
very capable, dynamic, high standards & excellence.  
hard worker - very intelligent - you  
not sure what thought about his termination  
as Dean College of H & S. Not going to problems.

How he might know

large - very little practical  
outside of work - charming wife -  
- alcohol - more - demanding but fair -  
- would be - strong personality but you  
have to be to do things he does -

Others who know

Dr. William [redacted] Geology Prof.

worked closely

with app.

took over & helped in College for awhile.

great insight  
very perceptive.

Frank Gavin Dean now

not in a position to know whether he  
accepts counsel from others -  
he was responsive to her needs  
as Asst Dean -

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Wm. H. F.

College of Lib. Arts

full of integrity

then later - brilliant young set this  
love, hard working, full of energy -  
got along well w/ others - extremely intelligent  
& productive -  
man professional -

thinks highly of him

Clare

Not sure why Galt was firing - he  
believed very strongly in not fragmenting the  
colleges - was sure they have come back  
to the same way - reunited

With this she was aware of Galt would  
dictate his firing - believes it was a clash  
between Galt & Frank Evans who wanted  
the colleges split.

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1959-60 app. t. was gone from his  
 records for where  
 records don't  
 show where.

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UTAT Personnel

w/m DOB 8/15/26

Ass't Prof.

9/1/62 - 11/30/67 Chairman  
 Dept of PHL  
 & Prof. PHL

1955-8/31/61 (not continuous)

9/1/61-5/31/62 Assoc. Prof. Philosophy

9/1/62-5/31/67 Prof. Philosophy & Chairman

6/12/67-8/16/68 Assoc. Prof. - PHL

8/17/68-8/31/68 Ass't Dir. Office of the Dean College of Arts & Sciences

6/4/63-8/10/63 Dir. Plan II Program O/O - Coll. of Arts & Sciences

9/1/63-11/30/63 Prof. PHL

12/1/67-8/10/70 Asst. - College of Arts & Sciences & Univ. Prof. Arts & Letters

8/11/70 Resigned 1/31/71 as Prof. of PHL

and was recommended for re-employment

Rec'd Duggenheim Fellowship, King's College, London, Eng  
 9/63-7/64

Minister of BUREAU

[Redacted]

UTAT Personnel

Assoc. Dean to Prov

[Redacted]

- gone for over 10 years

Asst. Dean to the Affairs to Prov

[Redacted]

(currently in Class)

Asst. Dean

[Redacted]

now Asst. Dean College of Liberal Arts

Acting Chancellor then

Dr. Charles A. LeMaistre, Pres. UT-Camden  
 no orders to go to Univ. of Md., MD

Wm. A. Brown Smith ret'd 3/79 SSAN

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August 8, 1983

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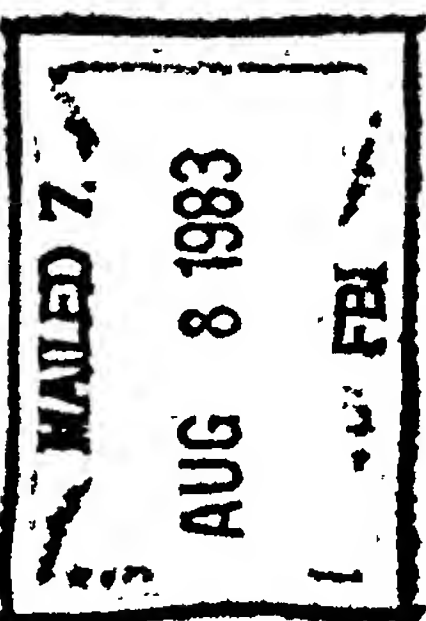
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FAIL (B).

RE BUREAU TEL, AUGUST 9, 1983.

SEARCH OF COLUMBIA INDICES AND ELSUR FILES REVEALS NO RECORD  
REGARDING APPOINTEE OR HIS LISTED RELATIVES. COLUMBIA ELSUR INDICES  
SEARCHED AUGUST 9, 1983, BY AOSM [REDACTED]

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983

RE BUREAU TELETYPE AUGUST 8, 1983  
A REVIEW OF THE CINCINNATI OFFICE GENERAL INDICES BY SC  
[REDACTED] ELSUR FILES BY SUPPORT SERVICES EMPLOYEE

[REDACTED] INFORMANT FILE INDEX BY CONFIDENTIAL CLERK

[REDACTED] AND ISIS INDEX BY MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER [REDACTED] ON AUGUST 9, 1983, BASED UPON

INFORMATION CONCERNING THE APPOINTEE AND CLOSE RELATIVES

FURNISHED IN REFERENCE TELETYPE, MET WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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ANCHORAGE DIVISION GENERAL INDICES, AS CHECKED BY SPC [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND ELSUR INDICES, AS CHECKED BY SAC SECRETARY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NEGATIVE REGARDING APPOINTEE AND RELATIVES AS LISTED IN *dlw*

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI OFFICES DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

SEATTLE GENERAL AND ELSUR INDICES ARE NEGATIVE REGARDING  
APPOINTEE AND REALTIVES.

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WITHOUT FAIL.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 9, 1983, THE ALBUQUERQUE GENERAL AND ELSUR  
INDICES WERE CHECKED FOR APPOINTEE AND MEMBERS OF APPOINTEE'S  
FAMILY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS BY THE FOLLOWING SUPPORT PERSONNEL:

GENERAL INDICES;

ELSUR INDICES.

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED AND NO REPORT  
BEING SUBMITTED.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

A REVIEW OF PITTSBURGH INDICES AND ELSUR FILES FAILED TO  
LOCATE ANY INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH THE APPOINTEE OF ANY  
MEMBER OF HIS IMMEDIATE FAMILY.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 10, 1983, THE HOUSTON DIVISION GENERAL INDICES AND  
EL SUR FILES WERE CHECKED BY SPECIAL CLERK PENROD [REDACTED] CON-  
CERNING THE APPOINTEE, JOHN ROBERT SILBER, HIS CLOSE RELATIVES, AND  
HIS PRESENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPECIAL INQUIRY (B).

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES DATED AUGUST 8, 1983. ~~civil rights & Spec. Inq. Sect.~~

CHARLOTTE OFFICE INDICES WERE SEARCHED BY SECURITY PATROL

CLERK [REDACTED] ELSUR FILES WERE SEARCHED BY FILE ASSISTANT

[REDACTED] ALL WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

NO REPORT BEING SUBMITTED BY CHARLOTTE, UACB.

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FM LOUISVILLE (161B-950) (RUC)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: 8/22/83, WITHOUT FAIL. (B)

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES DATED 8/8/83.

BASED UPON AVAILABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING APPOINTEE, JOHN ROBERT SILBER, HIS CLOSE RELATIVES AND PRESENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT, THE GENERAL INDICES OF THE LOUISVILLE OFFICE WERE SEARCHED ON 8/8/83, AND THE ELSUR INDICES WERE SEARCHED ON 8/10/83, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

THE LOUISVILLE GENERAL INDICES WERE SEARCHED BY RECORDS UNIT CLERK [REDACTED], AND THE ELSUR INDICES WERE SEARCHED

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983,

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RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 9, 1983, GENERAL INDICES WAS CHECKED BY CLERK

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[REDACTED] WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS REGARDING APPOINTEE

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983, *Civil Rights & Special Sect.*  
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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 10, 1983, SPECIAL CLERK (SC) [REDACTED] AND  
CLERK [REDACTED] RESPECTIVELY, REVIEWED INDICES AND ELSUR  
FILES REGARDING APPOINTEE AND RELATIVES.

THERE WAS NOTHING IN THE FILES IDENTIFIABLE WITH APPOINTEE  
OR RELATIVES.

CLEVELAND IS NOT EQUIPPED FOR ISIS AS YET.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983,  
WITHOUT FAIL (B).

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

THE LITTLE ROCK GENERAL AND ELSUR INDICES WERE NEGATIVE  
REGARDING APPOINTEE AND CLOSE RELATIVES, AS SEARCHED BY  
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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES, AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 9, 1983, [ ] SEARCHED ALEXANDRIA GENERAL INDICES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS REGARDING APPOINTEE AND ALL CLOSE RELATIVES. ON SAME DATE, [ ] SEARCHED ISIS AND [ ]

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[ ] SEARCHED CFR INDICES AND ELSUR FILES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS REGARDING THE ABOVE.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED AUGUST 22, 1983,  
WITHOUT FAIL. (B)

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 9, 1983, A SEARCH OF MEMPHIS GENERAL INDICES,  
MEMPHIS ELSUR INDICES, AND MEMPHIS INFORMANT INDICES REGARDING  
APPOINTEE AND ALL CLOSE RELATIVES OF APPOINTEE WAS NEGATIVE.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, DATED AUG. 8, 1983.

THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED ON AUG. 9, 1983.

SC [REDACTED] CHECKED THE GENERAL INDICES OF THE  
MILWAUKEE OFFICE AND FILE CLERK [REDACTED] CHECKED THE  
ELSUR INDICES WITHOUT LOCATING ANY INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH  
APPOINTEE AND MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983  
WITHOUT FAIL.

REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE, AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 11, 1983, THE GENERAL OFFICE INDICES AND THE ELSUR  
INDICES OF THE BOSTON DIVISION WERE SEARCHED BY IA [REDACTED]  
WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS RE IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION REGARDING  
APPOINTEE AND HIS CLOSE RELATIVES BASED ON INFORMATION SET FORTH  
IN RETEL.

BOSTON DOES NOT HAVE AN ISIS IN OPERATION NOR DOES IT HAVE A  
DATA BASE FOR ISIS AT THIS TIME.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 9, 1983, SSS-R [REDACTED] REVIEWED NORFOLK INDICES  
AND FOUND THEM NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE AND ALL LISTED MEMBERS OF HIS  
FAMILY.

ON AUGUST 10, 1983, SECRETARY [REDACTED] REVIEWED  
NORFOLK EL SUR INDICES AND FOUND THEM NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE AND ALL  
LISTED MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION TO BE CONDUCTED AT NORFOLK,  
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WITHOUT FAIL.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

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PERSONS INTERVIEWED. EXPRESS PROMISES OF CONFIDENTIALITY, BOTH  
LIMITED AND UNLIMITED, HAVE BEEN NOTED WHERE GRANTED.

ON AUGUST 13, 1983, THE ELSUR INDICES OF THE RICHMOND DIVISION,  
AS CHECKED BY RECORDS AND COMMUNICATIONS ASSISTANT [REDACTED]  
THE INFORMANT INDICES, AS CHECKED BY CLERK [REDACTED] AND THE  
GENERAL INDICES, AS CHECKED BY CLERK [REDACTED] WERE  
NEGATIVE AS TO APPOINTEE AND ALL CLOSE RELATIVES.

NO REPORT FOLLOWS.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: 8-22-83, WITHOUT FAIL. (B)

RE BUREAU TEL TO ALL OFFICES 8-8-83.

JACKSON GENERAL INDICES CHECKED BY JOHN DAVIS, ELSUR AND INFORMANT INDICES CHECKED BY [ ] AND ALL NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE, HIS CLOSE RELATIVES AND PRESENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT. JACKSON DOES NOT HAVE ISIS.

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REBUTEL TO ALL FBI OFFICES, AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 10, 1983, THE OFFICE AND ELSUR INDICES OF  
THE PHOENIX OFFICE WERE SEARCHED BY [REDACTED] AND

[REDACTED] AND NO RECORDS WERE LOCATED ON THE FOLLOWING  
INDIVIDUALS:

APPOINTEE, JOHN ROBERT SILBER; MOTHER, JEWELL ZEMARY  
JOSLIN; SPOUSE, MARY KATHRYN UNDERWOOD SILBER; BROTHER,

[REDACTED]; SON, DAVID JOSLIN SILBER; DAUGHTER,

[REDACTED] DAUGHTER, [REDACTED]

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPECIAL INQUIRY; BUDED: AUG. 22, 1983,  
WITHOUT FAIL.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE, AUG, 8, 1983.

ON AUG. 8, 1983, SECURITY PATROL CLERK [REDACTED]

CHECKED GENERAL INDICES; ON AUG. 9, 1983, FILE ASSISTANT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CHECKED SPECIAL INDICES AND ON AUG. 10, 1983, ASSISTANT

ELSUR COORDINATOR [REDACTED] CHECKED ELSUR INDICES REGARDING

CAPTIONED APPOINTEE, CLOSE RELATIVES AND PRESENT BUSINESS ESTABLISH-  
MENT LISTED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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RE BUTEL, AUGUST 8, 1983.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, A REVIEW OF SALT LAKE CITY INDICES AND ELSUR FILES WAS NEGATIVE CONCERNING APPOINTEE AND ALL CLOSE RELATIVES BASED ON INFORMATION CONTAINED IN RETEL.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI OFFICES, AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 9, 1983, BUTTE GENERAL OFFICE INDICES AND OFFICE  
EL SUR INDICES WERE REVIEWED BY CLERK [REDACTED] AND CLERK  
[REDACTED], RESPECTIVELY. NO RECORD WAS FOUND IDENTIFIABLE  
WITH APPOINTEE OR HIS IMMEDIATE FAMILY.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FIELD OFFICES AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 8, 1983, SPC [REDACTED] OKLAHOMA CITY  
DIVISION, SEARCHED GENERAL INDICES FOR APPOINTEE AND CLOSE  
RELATIVES; FILE CLERK [REDACTED] REVIEWED CONFIDENTIAL  
INDICES FOR APPOINTEE AND CLOSE RELATIVES ON AUGUST 9, 1983;

[REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL TYPIST, SEARCHED THE ELSUR FILES  
ON AUGUST 10, 1983, FOR APPOINTEE AND CLOSE RELATIVES; [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ISIS, MADE ISIS NAME CHECK FOR APPOINTEE AND CLOSE  
RELATIVES ON AUGUST 9, 1983. ALL FILES CHECKED NEGATIVE.

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REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

GENERAL OFFICE AND ELSUR INDICES CONTAIN NO PERTINENT  
IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION REGARDING APPLICANT OR THOSE IMMEDIATE  
FAMILY MEMBERS LISTED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

IN ADDITION, GENERAL OFFICE AND ELSUR INDICES NEGATIVE  
REGARDING APPLICANT'S EMPLOYMENT FIRM.

GENERAL OFFICE INDICES SEARCH CONDUCTED ON AUGUST 9, 1983,

BY SPC [REDACTED]

ELSUR INDICES SEARCH CONDUCTED ON AUGUST 9, 1983, BY [REDACTED]

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FIELD OFFICES DATED AUGUST 8, 1983

DETROIT INDICES CHECKS PERFORMED ON AUGUST 11, 1983,

BY CLERK [REDACTED] REGARDING APPOINTEE AND CLOSE  
RELATIVES REVEALED NO RECORD.

ON AUGUST 11, 1983, DETROIT ELSUR CHECKS PERFORMED BY  
CLERICAL EMPLOYEE [REDACTED] REVEALED NO RECORD REGARDING  
APPOINTEE AND CLOSE RELATIVES.

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CLOSE RELATIVES REVEALED NO RECORD.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983  
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RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

THE NAMES OF THE APPOINTEE AND CLOSE RELATIVES WERE  
SEARCHED BY THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS:

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CFR [REDACTED] ISIS INDICES, [REDACTED] AND ELSUR  
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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN, BUDED AUG. 22, 1983 WITHOUT FAIL

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI OFFICES, AUG. 9, 1983.

ON AUG. 11, 1983, A SEARCH OF SPRINGFIELD GENERAL INDICES  
AND ELSUR INDICES REGARDING APPOINTEE AND CLOSE RELATIVES NEGATIVE.

GENERAL INDICES SEARCH CONDUCTED BY [REDACTED]

ELSUR INDICES SEARCH CONDUCTED BY [REDACTED]

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER. SPIN. BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983 WITHOUT FAIL.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALEXANDRIA, DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

FOR INFORMATION OF DALLAS, APPOINTEE CURRENTLY RESIDES IN  
BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS, DATE OF BIRTH AUGUST 15, 1926,  
SSAN 464-28-3640.

APPOINTEE LISTS SUMMER EMPLOYMENT DURING 1948 AND 1949 AS  
A CENSUS ENUMERATOR FOR THE BUREAU OF CENSUS IN AUSTIN (1949)  
AND SAN ANTONIO (1948).

INVESTIGATION DETERMINED THAT THE NEAREST OFFICE OF THE  
CENSUS BUREAU IS THE REGIONAL OFFICE LOCATED IN DALLAS, TEXAS,  
TELEPHONE (214) 767-8621.

DALLAS AT DALLAS, TEXAS. WILL CONTACT OFFICIALS OF THE

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U.S. CENSUS BUREAU TO VERIFY APPOINTEE'S EMPLOYMENT DURING  
THE SUMMERS OF 1948 AND 1949.

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RE DENVER TELETYPE TO BUREAU, AUGUST 10, 1983.

RETEL WAS INADVERTENTLY SENT UNDER THE NAME OF  
JOHN ROBERT SILVER.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE Cincinnati	OFFICE OF ORIGIN Bureau	DATE 8/15/83	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/12/83
TITLE OF CASE JOHN ROBERT SILBER		REPORT MADE BY SC [ ]	TYPED BY [ ]
		CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY	

REFERENCE:

Bureau teletype to WFO, 8/9/83.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Where appropriate, Privacy Act (e) (3) data was furnished to persons interviewed. Express promises of confidentiality, both limited and unlimited, have been noted where granted.

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SC [REDACTED]

Office:

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Title:

JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character:

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Synopsis:

DISCO records, Columbus, Ohio, reflect an active Secret clearance.

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Details:

On August 12, 1983, Miss [REDACTED] Security Clerk, Status and Inquiry Branch, Defense Industrial Security Clearance Office (DISCO), Columbus, Ohio, was personally contacted, and she advised that John Robert Silber, SSAN 464-28-3640, was issued a Secret clearance dated March 13, 1981, based on a National Agency Check by the National Agency Check Center, dated March 9, 1981. This clearance is active, and the employing agency is Electronics Corporation of America, 1 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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UNCLAS

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPECIAL INQUIRY. BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983,  
WITHOUT FAIL (B).

REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FIELD OFFICES  
DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

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NO REFERENCE WAS FOUND REGARDING APPOINTEE AND LISTED  
CLOSE RELATIVES. THE FOLLOWING MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION INDICES  
WERE CHECKED ON AUGUST 11, 1983 BY THE INDICATED MINNEAPOLIS  
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CONFIDENTIAL INDICES:

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN.

RE: BUREAU TELETYPE, DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 9, 1983, INDICES AND ELSUR INDICES OF THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE WERE CHECKED BY CLERK  AND NO INFORMATION WAS LOCATED IDENTIFIABLE WITH THE APPOINTEE AND LISTED RELATIVES.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUG. 22, 1983.

REBUTEL DATED AUG. 8, 1983.

ON AUG. 10, 1983, THE FOLLOWING KNOXVILLE INDICES WERE  
CHECKED AND NO INFORMATION CONCERNING THE APPOINTEE OR LISTED  
RELATIVES WAS LOCATED:

GENERAL INDICES, NEGATIVE, CHECKED BY SC [REDACTED]

INFORMANT AND ELSUR INDICES, NEGATIVE, CHECKED BY

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UNCLAS

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN. BUDED: AUG. 22, 1983, WITHOUT FAIL.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FIELD OFFICES, AUG. 8, 1983.

ON AUG. 8, 1983, [REDACTED] SECURITY CLERK, INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION, SEARCHED OFFICE INDICES AND ADVISED NO IDENTIFIABLE INFO. AVAILABLE.

ON AUG. 10, 1983, [REDACTED] FILE CLERK, INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION, SEARCHED CONFIDENTIAL INDICES AND ADVISED NO IDENTIFIABLE INFO. AVAILABLE.

ON AUG. 11, 1983, [REDACTED] FILE CLERK, INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION, SEARCHED ELSUR FILES AND ADVISED NO IDENTIFIABLE INFO. AVAILABLE.

ADMINISTRATIVE: ALL PERSONS CONTACTED WERE ADVISED OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVACY ACT, AND THOSE REQUESTING CONFIDENTIALITY HAVE BEEN SO NOTED.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>NEWARK</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>8/16/83</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>8/15/83</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>pam</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPECIAL INQUIRY</b>	

RE: Bureau T/T to WFO and other offices 8/8/83.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE:

All persons interviewed were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						<input type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:  PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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SA [REDACTED]

Office: Newark, N.J.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER

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SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

[REDACTED] reference, contacted  
and highly recommends appointee. Arrest checks  
negative on [REDACTED] ward of the  
appointee.

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DETAILS:REFERENCE

On August 15, 1983, [REDACTED]

\* [REDACTED] New Jersey, advised  
that he has been acquainted with the appointee  
for many years and considers him to be of  
extraordinary intelligence and competency. He  
said that he considers the appointee to be of  
the highest character, and of impeccable loyalty  
and integrity. Mr. [REDACTED] remarked that the  
appointee has reputable associates and enjoys  
a very favorable reputation. He advised that  
he has no knowledge of the appointee having any  
use of drugs or abuse or abuse of alcohol. Mr.  
[REDACTED] strongly recommended the appointee for  
a position of trust with the United States  
Government.

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ARREST

The following individuals were contacted by Special Employee [redacted] on August 15, 1983, and advised that their records contain no reference for [redacted] ward of the appointee:

Sgt. [redacted]  
Security Police,  
Mc Guire Air Force Base, New Jersey

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Captain [redacted]  
New Hanover Township,  
New Jersey Police Department  
(covers the Mc Guire Air Force Base area)

[redacted] Identification Officer,  
Burlington County Prosecutor's Office,  
Mt. Holly, New Jersey

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UNCLAS

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPECIAL INQUIRY; BUDED: 8/22/83, WITHOUT FAIL. (B)

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, DATED 8/8/83.

SEARCH OF THE GENERAL AND ELSUR INDICES OF THE OMAHA DIVISION  
NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE AND CLOSE RELATIVES. GENERAL INDICES SEARCHED

BY [REDACTED] ON 8/10/83. ELSUR INDICES SEARCHED BY

[REDACTED] ON 8/11/83.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN. BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FIELD OFFICES DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 15 -16, 1983, NEW ORLEANS INDICES AND ELSUR RECORDS

WERE SEARCHED RE APPOINTEE AND CLOSE RELATIVES WITH NEGATIVE

RESULTS. INDICES SEARCHED BY CLERK [REDACTED] ELSUR SEARCHED

BY SA HAROLD L. ROBBINS.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER. SPIN. BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983, WITHOUT FAIL  
REBUAIRTEL TO ALEXANDRIA, AUGUST 8, 1983.

FOR INFO RECEIVING OFFICES, APPOINTEE WAS BORN AUGUST 15, 1926, AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AND CURRENTLY RESIDES IN BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS, AND HAS SSAN 464-28-3640.

APPOINTEE WAS EMPLOYED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, TEXAS (UTAT), FROM SEPTEMBER, 1955, THROUGH JANUARY, 1971, AS AN ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY; FULL PROFESSOR; CHAIRMAN OF THE PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT; AND FINALLY AS DEAN, COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES.

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IN JULY, 1970, APPOINTEE WAS FIRED AS THE DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES, UTAT, WHICH WAS THEN THE LARGEST COLLEGE AT THE UNIVERSITY. ONE WEEK LATER, THIS COLLEGE WAS DIVIDED INTO THREE SEPARATE SCHOOLS, EFFECTIVELY ABOLISHING APPOINTEE'S PREVIOUS POSITION. THIS WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY A VOTE OF THE BOARD OF LEGIONS. ACCORDING TO NEWSPAPER ARTICLES AT THE TIME, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF LEGIONS, FRANK ERWIN (SINCE DECEASED), WAS BEHIND THE FIRING AND SUBSEQUENT SPLITTING OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES, ALTHOUGH ERWIN'S PRIVATE PHYSICIAN AND CHANCELLOR-ELECT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM, DR. CHARLES A. LEMAISTRE, ACTUALLY FIRED THE APPOINTEE.

THE SAME NEWSPAPER ARTICLES STATE THAT THE APPOINTEE HAD EARLIER REFUSED TO RESIGN AT THE REQUEST OF H. BRYCE JORDAN, THEN INTERIM PRESIDENT OF UTAT. THE ARTICLES ATTRIBUTE THE FIRING TO A POWER STRUGGLE BETWEEN ERWIN AND THE APPOINTEE WHO, ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLES, WAS BECOMING A POWERFUL FIGURE ON THE CAMPUS. FOLLOWING HIS FIRING, THE APPOINTEE REMAINED AS A FULL PROFESSOR OF PHILOSOPHY UNTIL HE ASSUMED THE DUTIES OF PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEE OF BOSTON UNIVERSITY IN JANUARY, 1971.

DR. LEMAISTRE IS NOW PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS  
CANCER CENTER, M. D. ANDERSON HOSPITAL AND TUMOR INSTITUTE,  
HOUSTON. H. BRYCE JORDAN IS CURRENTLY THE PRESIDENT,  
PENN STATE UNIVERSITY, UNIVERSITY PARK, PENNSYLVANIA.

APPOINTEE'S ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS DURING  
THE PERIOD THE APPOINTEE WAS DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND  
SCIENCES, UTAT, WAS [REDACTED] WHO REPORTEDLY JUST TOOK  
A TEACHING POSITION AT ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY, ANNAPOLIS,  
MARYLAND.

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BALTIMORE AT ANNAPOLIS: INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

HOUSTON AT HOUSTON: INTERVIEW DR. CHARLES A. LEMAISTRE.

PHILADELPHIA AT UNIVERSITY PARK, PENNSYLVANIA: INTERVIEW  
H. BRYCE JORDAN.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

ALL PERSONS CONTACTED WERE APPRISED OF THE PROVISIONS  
OF THE PRIVACY ACT AND NONE REQUESTED CONFIDENTIALITY.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN, BUDED AUG. 22, 1983,

WITHOUT FAIL (B).

RE DIRECTOR TEL DATED AUG. 8, 1983.

A SEARCH OF OFFICE INDICES BY [REDACTED] AND  
ELSUR FILES BY [REDACTED] ON AUG. 15, 1983, CON-  
CERNING APPOINTEE OR CLOSE RELATIVES WAS NEGATIVE  
SACRAMENTO DIVISION.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, 8/8/83.

SAVANNAH OFFICE INDICES AND ELSUR INDICES NEGATIVE  
REGARDING APPLICANT, RELATIVES AND BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT  
AS LISTED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

OFFICE INDICES SEARCHED BY LEAD CLERK [REDACTED]

ON 8/8/83.

ELSUR INDICES SEARCHED BY CONFIDENTIAL TYPIST [REDACTED]

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TITLE OF CASE <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY SC <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>ram</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPIN</b>	

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REFERENCES: Bureau teletype to All Offices 8/8/83.  
 San Antonio teletype to Bureau and Dallas 8/12/83.  
 Dallas teletypes 8/17/83.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE

Person contacted was apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act.

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APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW
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August 17, 1983

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Title:

JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

Regional Office, U. S. Census Bureau, Dallas, Texas,  
advised all former employment records are sent to GSA,  
National Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri.

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DETAILS:

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The following investigation was conducted by Special  
Clerk [REDACTED]

EMPLOYMENT

AT DALLAS, TEXAS

On August 17, 1983, [REDACTED] Regional Office,  
U. S. Census Bureau, Dallas, Texas, advised all former employ-  
ment records are sent to GSA, National Personnel Records Section,  
111 Winnebago Street, St. Louis Missouri 63118.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>CHICAGO</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>8/17/83</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>8/12-16/83</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>DLF</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPIN</b>	

REFERENCE: Bureau teletype to Chicago dated 8/9/83.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE

Where appropriate, Privacy Act (e) (3) data was furnished to persons interviewed. Express promises of confidentiality, both limited, and unlimited, have been noted where granted.

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Report of: SA [REDACTED]  
Date: 8/17/83

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Field Office File #: 161B-5657

Bureau File #:

Title: JOHN ROBERT SILVER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis: Appointee's education at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, verified. Evanston credit and arrest checks negative re appointee.

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DETAILS:

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Education

Northwestern University  
Evanston, Illinois

On August 16, 1983, [redacted] Registrar's Office Supervisor, advised that appointee attended Northwestern University the summer of 1944 and received three grades of B in Ear Training, Cornet and Choir Conducting. [redacted] advised that no one currently instructing in the school of music would remember appointee.

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Credit and Arrest

On August 12, 1983, [redacted] Manager, Northwest Credit Bureau, Palatine, Illinois, which covers Evanston, Illinois, advised Special Clerk (SC) [redacted] that credit records reflect no file for appointee.

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On August 12, 1983, [redacted] Records Clerk, Evanston, Illinois Police Department, advised SC Elizabeth Primozić that arrest records reflect no record identifiable with appointee.

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FM ATLANTA (161-1805)

TO DIRECTOR ROUTINE

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UNCLAS

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 9 - 11, 1983, THE INDICES AND ELSUR FILES OF THE ATLANTA DIVISION WERE SEARCHED AND FOUND TO CONTAIN NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH THE APPOINTEE OR CLOSE MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY BASED UPON AVAILABLE INFORMATION.

ELSUR SEARCHED BY CLERICAL EMPLOYEE (CE) [REDACTED]

GENERAL INDICES SEARCHED BY CE [REDACTED] SPECIAL

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TO DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPECIAL INQUIRY. BUDED: 8/22/83, WITHOUT  
FAIL (B).

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES, 8/8/83.

ON 8/9/83, SA [REDACTED] CAUSED A CHECK TO BE MADE OF  
BALTIMORE INDICES, GENERAL, CONFIDENTIAL AND ELSUR. CHECK  
DISCLOSED NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH APPOINTEE OR ANY  
LISTED RELATIVES.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI PRIORITY

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983.

RE SAN ANTONIO TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND DALLAS, AUGUST 12, 1983.

FOR INFORMATION OF ST. LOUIS, APPOINTEE CURRENTLY RESIDES  
IN BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS, DATE OF BIRTH AUGUST 15, 1926,  
SSAN 464-28-3640.

APPOINTEE LISTS SUMMER EMPLOYMENT DURING 1948 AND 1949 AS  
A CENSUS ENUMERATOR FOR THE BUREAU OF CENSUS IN AUSTIN (1949)  
AND SAN ANTONIO (1948).

ON AUGUST 17, 1983, [REDACTED] REGIONAL OFFICE, U. S.  
CENSUS BUREAU, DALLAS, TEXAS, ADVISED ALL FORMER EMPLOYMENT  
RECORDS ARE SENT TO GSA, NATIONAL PERSONNEL RECORDS CENTER,

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BOSTON (ROUTINE)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPECIAL INQUIRY; BUDED AUGUST 22, 1983, WITHOUT  
FAIL (B).

RE: BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALEXANDRIA, AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 15, 1983,  HOUSEKEEPER FOR MR. AND MRS.  
GEORGE HART, 59 GLENWOOD AVENUE, ROSS, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED MR. HART  
WOULD NOT RETURN TO THIS RESIDENCE UNTIL THE END OF THE MONTH. SHE *dlw*  
ADVISED HE COULD BE REACHED IN BOSTON AT TELEPHONE NUMBER 617-934-  
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LEADS: BOSTON AT BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS: INTERVIEW MR. GEORGE  
HART, ASSOCIATE OF APPOINTEE.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI PRIORITY

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983 (WOF) (B).

RE BUREAU TELETYPE AUGUST 8, 1983.

A SEARCH OF THE INDEX TO THE CENTRAL RECORDS SYSTEM AND THE ELSUR INDEX AS MAINTAINED BY THE DALLAS DIVISION FAILED TO LOCATE ANY RECORD OR IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION REGARDING APPOINTEE OR APPOINTEE'S RELATIVES AS LISTED ON REFERENCED TELETYPE.

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TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983,  
WITHOUT FAIL.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

LAS VEGAS GENERAL AND ELSUR INDICES NEGATIVE REGARDING  
APPOINTEE AND FAMILY MEMBERS.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>PITTSBURGH</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>8/18/83</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>8/17 - 18/83</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SC</b>	TYPED BY <b>kln</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPIN</b>	

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## REFERENCE:

Butel to Washington Field, August 8, 1983.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE:

Individuals contacted in this matter were advised of the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, and none requested confidentiality.

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Report of: SC [REDACTED] Office: Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Date: 8/18/83  
Field Office File #: 161B-1730-1620 Bureau File #:  
Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

## Synopsis:

Office of Personnel Management (OPM) checks negative.

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DETAILS:

On August 18, 1983 [REDACTED] Records Supervisor,  
United States Office of Personnel Management (USOPM), NACI  
Center, Boyers, Pennsylvania, advised his indices contain  
no record for captioned applicant.

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TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPECIAL INQUIRY; BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983

RE BUREAU TELETYPE DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

GENERAL INDICES AND ELSUR CHECKS WERE NEGATIVE REGARDING THE APPOINTEE, RELATIVES AND PRESENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT. REPORT TO FOLLOW.

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Date 8/18/83

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (161B-5657) *(P)* (SQUAD 12)

JOHN ROBERT SILBER,  
SPECIAL INQUIRY

BUDED 8/22/83, WITHOUT FAIL (B)

Re Chicago teletype dated 8/18/83. (U)

Enclosed is a copy of serial 61-174-1B27 (90)  
mentioned in referenced Chicago teletype. ~~(S)~~ (U)

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22, 1983, WITHOUT FAIL (B).

INFORMATION FOLLOWED BY THE LETTER (8)  
IS CLASSIFIED ~~SECRET~~.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE, DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

BASED ON INFORMATION PROVIDED IN REFERENCED  
BUREAU TELETYPE, CHICAGO'S GENERAL INDICES, ELSUR  
INDICES, CONFIDENTIAL INDICES AND ISIS DISCLOSED NO  
IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION ON INDIVIDUALS LISTED IN  
REFERENCED COMMUNICATION EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

CHICAGO'S GENERAL INDICES REFLECTS FILE NUMBER  
9-5920, OPENED IN MARCH, 1972 ON JOHN R. SILBER.  
THIS FILE HAS BEEN DESTROYED.

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CHICAGO FILE 61-174-1B27 (90) CONTAINS A MEMBERSHIP LIST FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLES' FRATERNAL ORDER-INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER, LODGE NUMBER 487. IT REFLECTS THE NAME OF ONE [REDACTED] SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS. ~~ISI~~ (U)

GENERAL INDICES WAS SEARCHED BY CLERK [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AUGUST 10, 1983. ELSUR INDICES WAS SEARCHED BY CLERK [REDACTED] AUGUST 10, 1983. CONFIDENTIAL INDICES WAS SEARCHED BY CLERK [REDACTED] AUGUST 9, 1983. ISIS INDICES WAS SEARCHED BY CLERKS [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] AUGUST 9, 1983.

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PERTINENT REFERENCE ON [REDACTED] WILL BE FORWARDED BY AIRTEL.

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FM EL PASO (161B-413-195) (RUC)

TO DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983, WITHOUT  
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RE DIRECTOR TEL TO ALL FIELD OFFICES, AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 12, 1983, [REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL

TYPIST, REVIEWED THE EL PASO DIVISION ELSUR AND SECURE  
INDICES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS RE APPLICANT, RELATIVES  
AND CURRENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS.

ON AUGUST 17, 1983, SC [REDACTED] REVIEWED  
THE EL PASO DIVISION GENERAL INDICES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS  
RE APPLICANT, RELATIVES AND CURRENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS.

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED AT EL PASO.

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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
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TO DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED AUGUST 22, 1983,  
WITHOUT FAIL. (B)

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES, DATED  
AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 17, 1983, CLERK [REDACTED] CONDUCTED A  
SEARCH OF THE LOS ANGELES ELSUR INDICES WITH REGARDS TO THE  
APPOINTEE, RELATIVES AND PRESENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT  
WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

ON AUGUST 15, 1983, CLERK [REDACTED] CONDUCTED  
A SEARCH OF THE LOS ANGELES GENERAL INDICES WITH REGARDS TO  
THE APPOINTEE, RELATIVES AND PLACE OF BUSINESS, WITH  
RESULTS ALSO BEING NEGATIVE.

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ALL INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED WERE APPRISED OF THE  
PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVACY ACT AND THOSE REQUESTING  
CONFIDENTIALITY HAVE BEEN SO NOTED.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>BOSTON</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>8/19/83</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>8/8-19/83</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>po'b/slt</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPIN</b>	

REFERENCE: Bureau teletypes (3) to Boston dated, 8/8/83, 8/8/83 and 8/19/83.  
Bureau airtel to Boston, dated 8/8/83.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

All persons contacted in this matter were advised of the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974 and two desired confidentiality, namely  (employment) and  (acquaintance).

Arrest check at Boston, Mass. conducted by IA

Credit check at Boston, Mass. conducted by IA

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APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i>						SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		
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Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis: Employment verified and favorable. Close personal associate recommends. All but two acquaintances recommend without reservation. [REDACTED] gave a qualified recommendation as did [REDACTED]. Neighborhood verified and favorable. Prosecution check with United States Attorney negative.

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## DETAILS:

EMPLOYMENT

On August 16, 1983, Mr. John Wesling, Associate Provost and Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees, Boston University, 145 Bay State Road, Boston, Massachusetts, advised that in addition to performing the duties associated with the two positions mentioned, supra, he has served as John Robert Silber's (appointee's) personal assistant for seven years. Wesling described the appointee as a person with immense integrity and

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sincerity who is absolutely honest and forthright. Wesling stated that the appointee is an absolutely trustworthy individual with a "sterling" character.

Wesling advised that the appointee is highly regarded as an academic philosopher, and is renowned as one of the world's foremost authorities on the philosopher, Immanuel Kant, having written and published several journals on that subject. Wesling further advised that among college presidents, the appointee is one of the most sought after public speakers, having delivered over 50 speeches this past year on topics concerning higher education and current social and cultural matters. Wesling stated that the appointee is a remarkably hard worker, remarkably educated and remarkably energetic, working 12 hours per day, seven days per week while managing to maintain a fine family life that involves a wife, seven children and two wards whose natural parents are deceased friends of the appointee.

Wesling considers the appointee to be an extraordinary patriot with great supportive concern for free speech and the Bill of Rights and cited as just one example, the appointee's policy of allowing military recruiters to visit the Boston University Campus during the early 1970s, despite great resistance from much of the Boston University community. Wesling added that beginning this Fall, 1984, with the addition of Naval ROTC, Boston University will have three active ROTC programs which were all reinstituted by the appointee at Boston University after their demise in the late 1960s under a different president.

More recently, Wesling advised that the appointee has taken a public stand in favor of the Solomon Amendment which requires registration for the draft as a prerequisite to receiving government loans for college tuition. Wesling further advised that the appointee has a great concern for Boston University's overseas programs, which provide educational opportunities to the United States Department of Defense personnel and family members. This concern stems from the appointee's perceived obligation that citizens and educational institutions have to pay back a debt owed to society. Wesling also advised that the appointee served on the Board of Visitors at Air University which is responsible for training officers and enlisted personnel of the United States Air Force from 1978 to 1982.

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Wesling stated that he sees the appointee socially for dinner about two or three times per month, either at the appointee's house or at school functions. When in the presence of alcohol, he has never seen the appointee "the worse for drink." Wesling advised that the appointee does not like hard liquor very much, that the appointee will, on occasion, have one cocktail before dinner and perhaps one glass of brandy following formal dinners, and that the appointee does enjoy good wine and may have two glasses during dinner. Wesling has no reason to suspect the unauthorized use of drugs and added that the appointee is reluctant to take aspirin. Wesling further advised that the appointee is concerned about physical fitness and tries to use an exercise cycle at his home 15 to 20 minutes per day and swims occasionally.

Wesling recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government without reservation.



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On August 17, 1983, Earle C. Cooley, Esquire, Senior Partner, Hale and Dorr, 60 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts, advised that he has known John Robert Silber (appointee) since 1971 when the appointee first came to Boston University. Cooley stated that he (Cooley) was the president of the Boston University Law School Alumni Association in 1971 and first met the appointee in connection with fund-raising activities for the law school. Cooley further advised that he served on the Board of Trustees in 1975 as an alumni trustee after being elected to that position by the alumni and that he has continued to serve as a "regular trustee" since that time, having been nominated and confirmed by the Board of Trustees, a self-perpetuating organization under the by-laws of Boston University. Cooley advised that he serves on the Executive Committee, the Legal Affairs Committee and the Student Affairs Committee and has worked very closely with the appointee.

Cooley described the appointee as a most brilliant individual, who is widely read, has great depth of learning, and possesses a tremendous command of logic and philosophy. Cooley added that the appointee's tremendous reasoning power allows the appointee to be a great problem solver by "cutting through the chaff and getting right to the wheat."

Cooley stated that the appointee is a man of uncompromising principle with a tremendously strong character.

Cooley advised that the appointee is highly regarded and strongly supported by the Board of Trustees and added that "college presidents come and go" but the appointee's longevity (since 1971) bears the greatest testimony to the Board of Trustees' strong support of the appointee. Cooley added that the appointee has managed to endure major upheavals during his reign at Boston University, including a financial deficit he was faced with upon his arrival, political unrest in the early 1970s and the unionization of professors. Cooley advised that the appointee dealt with these problems effectively and in a forthright manner, balanced the budget in two years after his arrival and has maintained a balanced budget since that time. Cooley further advised that the appointee created some enemies in the process of dealing with these problems which Cooley attributed, in part, to the appointee's forthright and direct approach which Cooley perceives as a matter of style and which Cooley personally approves of and considers to be an asset. Cooley added that the appointee does not "suffer fools gladly" and explained that the appointee feels that excellence should be rewarded and mediocrity should not be tolerated.

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Cooley stated that the appointee's loyalty is unquestionable and that the appointee is a strong supporter of the U. S. Constitution and the Amendments thereto, particularly the freedom of speech guaranties under the First Amendment. Cooley advised that the appointee is politically perceived as being to the right of center; however, Cooley stated that he considers the appointee to be a true liberal who is an elitest as well and who believes that merit should be rewarded.

Cooley advised that he has no reason to suspect alcohol abuse or unauthorized drug use on the part of the appointee. Cooley recommended the appointee without reservation, added that it would be a fine appointment and advised that the appointee is already studying in preparation for the appointment.

On August 17, 1983, Mr. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Massachusetts, advised that he first met John Robert Silber (appointee) in 1979 on business and that he has served as a trustee at Boston University since October, 1982. [REDACTED] further advised that the 1979 business meeting led to the creation of a corporation, 80% of which is owned by International Training and Education Company (parent) and 20% is owned by Boston University, which acts as a subcontractor by providing educational services. [REDACTED] stated that the appointee's business objective was to provide an additional source of revenue for the University that was badly needed in light of rising tuition costs which might eventually cause Boston University to price itself out of business. [REDACTED] also advised that the appointee was very concerned about increasing the endowment fund for the same reason.

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[REDACTED] described the appointee as an outstanding citizen and a superb individual who is well read and can converse intelligently in a number of different disciplines. [REDACTED] added that the appointee is a highly educated, intense individual with very, very strong convictions and a dedicated interest in national affairs. [REDACTED] stated that the appointee has a "very strong" reputation at Boston University and the Board of Trustees are tremendously supportive. [REDACTED] advised that there is a small minority of opponents on the 43-member board and that the individuals who comprise the minority vary from issue to issue. [REDACTED] discounted the opposition by stating that it is a natural occurrence found on all boards of that size.

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[ ] stated that the appointee is an individual of unquestionable loyalty to the United States. [ ] advised that the appointee was responsible for re-establishing the ROTC programs at Boston University and that the appointee served on the Board of Directors for the Institute of Strategic Studies, a non-profit organization concerned with national defense which is located in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

[ ] advised that the appointee is a moderate drinker, smokes cigars and does not engage in unauthorized drug use and added that unauthorized drug use would be totally inconsistent with the appointee who is an extremely hard worker and dedicated individual. [ ] recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government without reservation.

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On August 17, 1983, Mr. George D. Hart, 44 Powder Point Road, Duxbury, Massachusetts, advised that he has served on the Board of Trustees at Boston University for the past 10 years and is presently serving on the Executive Committee. Hart further advised that he was the former Chairman of the Board of the California State University System, a former member of the Board of Directors of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, a retired United States Army Colonel who served in Normandy and a domiciliary of California who is presently vacationing in Duxbury, Massachusetts. Hart described John Robert Silber (appointee) as a person of unimpeachable character who is brilliant, forthright and speaks his mind. Hart considers the appointee to be unique in his ability to manage people and financial responsibilities and added that if he (Hart) owned a corporation, he would want the appointee to run it. Hart stated that the appointee has the unanimous support of the Executive Committee and is highly regarded and respected by all of the trustees, save one or two.

Hart stated that there is no one who is more loyal to the United States than the appointee and advised the appointee "fought hard" to restore Army, Navy and Air Force ROTC at Boston University. Hart, who ate dinner with the appointee last night, advised that the appointee stated that his (appointee's) greatest aim in life is to help make this country safe for his children, grandchildren and those that follow. Hart advised that the appointee has been "close to the military," that the appointee has done a thorough study of this country's missile system and that the appointee feels politics should not play a part in national defense.

Hart advised that the appointee is one of 200 members who belong to the Commercial Club-Merchants Club, which Hart described as an exclusive dinner club made up of the most powerful and influential leaders of business and industry in the Boston area.



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Hart advised that he has no reason to suspect alcohol abuse or unauthorized drug use and added that he has the highest regard for the appointee in every way. Hart stated that he (Hart) served as the Chairman of the Board of the California State University System under Governor Brown, who appointed him and Governor (now President) Reagan and that he was indirectly responsible for the appointment that initiated this background investigation. Hart recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government without reservation.

On August 17, 1983, Mr. Robert C. Linnell, President, Linnell and Company, 150 Causeway Street, Boston, Massachusetts, advised that he is a member of the Board of Trustees at Boston University and has been prior to John Robert Silber's (appointee's) arrival at Boston University in 1971. Linnell stated that he considers himself to be a personal friend of the appointee and has entertained the appointee on his boat. Linnell considers the appointee to be an upright, moralistic, outspoken individual whose character is beyond reproach. Linnell described the appointee as a strictly outstanding individual, who is brilliant and yet practical. Linnell stated that the appointee is extremely capable in all areas of administration and has the ability to understand situations and provide effective solutions.

Linnell advised that the appointee has served as President at Boston University during difficult times and that few people in this country could have accomplished what the appointee has in terms of achieving financial stability and holding the university together while achieving growth and building excellence. Linnell stated that the appointee has a rough exterior, can be somewhat abrasive and can be tough when he has to be tough but, beneath his rough exterior, the appointee has a big heart. Linnell further advised that the appointee "stepped on some toes" which was an unavoidable byproduct of the hard and fast decision making that was necessary for the good of the university.

Linnell stated that the appointee has excellent control of the English language and unparalleled debating skills. Linnell advised that the appointee is highly supported by the Board of Trustees and that the trustees feel extremely grateful to have the appointee as President.

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Linnell stated that the appointee's loyalty to the United States is unquestionable and that the appointee is a loyal and patriotic citizen who is "driven to do good for the country." Linnell recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government and added that "you couldn't pick a finer person."

On August 17, 1983, Mrs. Sol W. Weltman, 1010 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139, telephone (617) 491-2876, was contacted and advised that she would not make any comments regarding appointee at any time. Weltman is a member of the Board of Trustees at Boston University.



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On August 18, 1983, Mr. John L. Eavenson, Vice Chairman of the Board, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, 175 Berkeley Street, Boston, Massachusetts, advised that he has served on the Board of Trustees at Boston University for two and one half years. Eavenson stated that John Robert Silber (appointee) is a well rounded, outstanding individual whose character is absolutely perfect. Eavenson advised that the appointee has traveled extensively overseas and has been outspoken in support of the United States.

Eavenson advised that the appointee enjoys an excellent reputation among the Board of Trustees and has the Board's 100% support. Eavenson advised that the appointee came to Boston University during a financial crisis and a period of political unrest and was faced with some hard decisions which he made and which resulted in some controversy.

Eavenson advised that the appointee's loyalty to the United States is unquestionable and recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government without reservation.

On August 19, 1983, [redacted] (protect by request), [redacted] Boston University, advised that he is a [redacted] and has been employed by Boston University for [redacted] years as a [redacted] [redacted] further advised that he is a strong supporter of John Robert Silber (appointee) and he considers the appointee to be a first rate administrator. [redacted] stated that the appointee has an excellent sense of moral values and that his behavior is unquestionably ethical.

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[redacted] advised that even the most biased individuals at Boston University consider the appointee's ability to be first rate and admit that Boston University has undergone a substantial transformation under the appointee's leadership making Boston University much more solid. [redacted] stated that the appointee is a "controversial personality" due to the appointee's decision making role that often affects diverse vested interests at the University. [redacted] described the appointee as a strong decision maker who thrives on adverse relationships and excels at the "give and take" involved in dialogue. [redacted] stated faculty members either think that the appointee is the best thing that ever happened to Boston University or that they have a strong dislike for him, which [redacted] attributed to the appointee's decision making role.

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[ ] advised that the appointee's loyalty is unquestionable and that the appointee frequently has taken public stands on major social issues that evidence the appointee's loyalty. [ ] advised that he has worked with the appointee under stressful conditions and has absolutely no knowledge of alcohol abuse or unauthorized drug use.

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[ ] recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government without reservation and added that he would be delighted to see the appointee receive this type of recognition which the appointee strongly deserves.

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On August 19, 1983, [redacted]

[redacted] Boston,

Massachusetts, advised that he has been a member of the Board of Trustees at Boston University for the past seven years and that he first met John Robert Silber (appointee) in 1972 and "knew of" the appointee when the appointee was in Texas. [redacted] described the appointee as a man of integrity who is honest and moral.

[redacted] advised that the appointee's associates are limited to people of good solid character and consist largely of members of the Boston University community. [redacted] stated that the appointee is controversial, that the appointee is learning to be effective at delegation, and to be less abrasive. [redacted] further advised that the appointee is "not capable of being diplomatic," that he deals "frankly and honestly and won't finesse issues." [redacted] stated that the appointee is opinionated and that the appointee's interests are extremely diverse. [redacted] stated that the appointee can make a tremendous contribution because of these qualities.

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[redacted] advised that the appointee is philosophically aligned with traditional American values and is unquestionably loyal to the United States. [redacted] who considers himself to be a good friend of the appointee and a fellow Texan, stated that one of the appointee's biggest regrets is that he could not serve in the armed forces due to a congenital birth defect which left the appointee without the use of one arm.

[redacted] advised that he has never observed any indication of alcohol abuse or unauthorized drug use and added that the appointee does not smoke except for an occasional cigar. [redacted] recommended the applicant for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government and added that the appointee is an extraordinary American with great loyalty to his family, career and country.

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On August 22, 1983, [redacted]  
[redacted] Electronics Corporation of America,  
One Memorial Drive, Cambridge, Massachusetts advised that  
John Robert Silber (appointee), has been employed by  
Electronics Corporation of America as a member of the Board  
of Directors since he was elected to that position on  
March 21, 1981, and unofficially since July 23, 1980, on an  
"ad hoc" basis.

[redacted] advised that the appointee's character is  
flawless, that the appointee is a "terrific guy" who is  
emotionally very stable and who possesses outstanding  
leadership skills. [redacted] stated that "you could not find  
a more loyal citizen" and considers the appointee to be a true  
patriot.

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[redacted] has no knowledge of alcohol abuse by the  
appointee and recommended the appointee for a position of trust  
and confidence with the United States Government without  
reservation. [redacted]

[redacted] was unable to suggest anyone else who could comment  
on the appointee due to summer vacation. (See interview with  
[redacted] close personal associate, infra).



CLOSE PERSONAL ASSOCIATE

On August 16, 1983, Dr. Arthur G. B. Metcalf, President, Electronics Corporation of America (ECA), One Memorial Drive, Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Boston, Massachusetts, advised that he has known John Robert Silber (appointee) since 1971 when the appointee began serving as President at Boston University. Metcalf stated that the appointee is of very, very fine character, a great scholar, very patriotic, which is rare in academia, and a strong supporter of national defense and this nation's present administration. Metcalf added that the appointee has a fine mind and is a great public speaker.

Metcalf further advised that he (Metcalf) has served as a trustee on the Board of Trustees at Boston University during the administrations of five presidents and that the present administration under the appointee has been the most creative and productive earning national recognition. Metcalf estimated that the appointee is strongly supported by 40 of the 45 trustees at Boston University on most issues and stated that a small amount of opposition exists at any educational institution between the president and the trustees. Metcalf described the appointee as an upstanding American with strong convictions. Metcalf stated that the only criticism he has concerning the appointee is the appointee's lack of patience with "suffering fools." Metcalf stated that the appointee will have an occasional cocktail but has never abused alcohol or engaged in unauthorized drug use. Metcalf recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government without reservation.

Metcalf advised that the appointee's associates consist of individuals who have reached the highest possible levels of achievement in Business, Government and Academia.

Metcalf mentioned in passing that the appointee is a member of the Board of Directors of Electronics Corporation of America.



ACQUAINTANCE

On August 17, 1983, Major General George Smith Patton, III, United States Army, Retired, 650 Asbury Street, South Hamilton, Massachusetts 01982, telephone (617) 468-4533, advised that he has personally met appointee only three times but knows of his reputation and abilities through others, speeches and correspondence with him over the years. He described appointee as precise, absolutely brilliant and dedicated to the security of America. He advised appointee is very conservative, professional and ethical in all his dealings. He stated appointee does not put up with any "foolishness." He described appointee's reputation as "tougher than hell" and that appointee is a highly respected citizen. He advised that appointee is very articulate in written and oral presentations. He advised that he knows of no derogatory information about the appointee. He stated that to his knowledge appointee does not use alcohol to excess or illegal drugs of any kind.

Patton stated that appointee is a super guy and that he cannot think of a more suitable candidate for any government committee. He advised appointee is a "dedicated American patriot and wished we had 500 more like him." He stated that he would trust appointee on any committee anywhere within the Government.

Patton concluded by stating that he highly recommends appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the U. S. Government.

On August 18, 1983, Mr. John G. McElwee, Chairman, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, John Hancock Place, Post Office Box 1111, Boston, Massachusetts 02117, (617) 421-2870, advised he has known appointee in excess of ten years. He principally had contact with appointee through business and education relations. He advised that he has had contact with him in a social atmosphere also.

McElwee described appointee as strong, very positively oriented, aggressive, highly intelligent and controversial. He advised appointee is dynamic, a man of strong principles according to his own interpretation of the principle. He stated that appointee is held in high respect, that no one to his knowledge has even questioned appointee's integrity or abilities, that people just see things from a different vantage point.

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McElwee stated appointee's written and oral presentations are exquisite. He advised appointee works well and has a lot of experience in stressful situations. He feels appointee is very professional and ethical in his dealings yet perhaps a bit controversial. He stated that there is no question about appointee's being a loyal American and that some may even consider him "over American."

To McElwee's knowledge, appointee has never used alcohol to excess or illegal drugs of any kind. He advised that he knows of no derogatory information about appointee. He stated appointee is an exceptional and able person and stated no reason why he should not recommend the appointee yet did not come right out and recommend him. He stated it would depend on who was on the committee with appointee and if they were capable to "handle discussions" with appointee.

On August 18, 1983, Mr. John Larkin Thompson, President, Blue Shield of Massachusetts, 100 Summer Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 617-956-2000, advised that he has known appointee for approximately ten years. He stated that he met appointee when he served on the Board of Trustees at Boston University from 1973 to 1978. He described appointee as uncommonly bright, articulate and contentious individual. He stated appointee is honest, professional and ethical in his dealings with others. Appointee is thought of as a uniquely intelligent person by others. His associates are universally of high caliber quality.

Thompson advised his personal observation of appointee's oral and written abilities are that they are spectacular. He advised that appointee can handle stressful situations without any problems. He advised appointee is a loyal American who can be trusted with highly sensitive and confidential information. He advised that to his knowledge appointee does not use alcohol to excess or illegal drugs of any kind. He stated that he knows of no derogatory information about appointee. Thompson advised that appointee is a positive and thoughtful individual. He stated appointee is highly qualified to serve and has positive contributions to make. He concluded by stating he would highly recommend the appointee without reservation.

On August 18, 1983, [redacted]  
[redacted] Dorchester, Massachusetts stated that he has known the appointee, John Robert Silber for three years. [redacted] described Silber as an excellent

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person, a man of integrity whose word is his bond. He said Silber is a community person who can disagree without being disagreeable and who deals with pressure well. [redacted] stated that Silber is known as a conservative, hard-nosed guy who can be headstrong when he makes up his mind to accomplish something. [redacted] said Silber is a forceful man who is sure of himself and does not worry about controversy in making a decision. He would rather deal with the controversy after the fact.

[redacted] stated that an example of Silber's character could be best described by the scholarship fund that he established recently at Boston University. Silber had witnessed a number of incidents at Boston University that involved Boston firefighters. He was so impressed with the professionalism and valor of the firefighters who responded to these incidents, that he set up a four year scholarship program for the children of Boston firefighters killed in the line of duty.

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[redacted] said that Boston University is currently funding a device that identifies a trapped or motionless firefighter in action and that Silber is largely responsible for this funding. [redacted] does not question Silber's loyalty to the United States and has never known him to abuse alcohol or use illegal drugs.

[redacted] recommended Silber for the presidential appointment stating that "Dr. Silber is a loyal to the United States as the day is long."

On August 18, 1983, Mr. [redacted]

[redacted] Boston, Massachusetts, (617) 292-2000 advised that he has known appointee for approximately four and a half years. He advised that he first saw appointee at a Boston College forum affair the discussion dealing with education in Boston. He advised that he was very impressed by appointee's presentation and stayed to talk with him after the discussion. They then began to have dealings with one another through public service arena. He advised that he has in the past and is presently serving on a committee with appointee. Because of this advisory committee to the school committee here in Boston, he sees appointee on a regular basis now.

[redacted] described appointee's character as above reproach. He stated appointee is a fine human being as well as a dynamic executive. He stated that appointee has gone out of his way to counsel his daughter on careers and he has also invited appointee to be a guest speaker on several occasions for different groups.



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[ ] described appointee as an honest, honorable and loyal American. He stated appointee is honest, professional and ethical in his dealings with people yet is also so direct that people may feel he could be more diplomatic.

[ ] stated appointee's reputation is good yet at the same time he is a controversial individual. The controversy he feels is largely credited to his drive and determination to rehabilitate Boston University when he first arrived. [ ] advised appointee is very outspoken with regard to public issues and takes an absolutely solid stance on issues and will not compromise on his beliefs. Because appointee does what he feels is necessary in different situations, many members of the community see him as a threat in some situations. [ ] gave the example of appointee trying to buy up land for Boston University.

[ ] advised that none of appointee's associates would reflect badly on him; that they are individuals with integrity and are of high quality.

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[ ] advised that appointee's oral skills are excellent. He stated that he invited appointee to speak at the Bankers Convention in Florida a few years ago and that appointee chose to speak about Foreign and Defense Policy. He stated that appointee spoke for fifty minutes on a difficult subject and to a group of jaundiced and super cynical bankers. At the end of the presentation, appointee was given a standing ovation from these individuals which in all his years of being associated with these people he has never seen occur before. He stated appointee was well prepared and gave a beautiful and eloquent presentation.

[ ] advised appointee has been in many pressure and stressful situations and has handled them well. He advised appointee has a low boiling point, yet [ ] stated that even though appointee's emotions show he is forceful yet in control with his rebuttals.

[ ] advised that he knows of no derogatory information about the appointee. He stated that to his knowledge appointee does not use alcohol to excess or illegal drugs of any type.

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[ ] advised that although he is not an intimate/close associate, he is an admirer of appointee and feels he is an intelligent individual that has good rapport with himself and others.

[ ] concluded by stating he is delighted to see appointee considered for the committee and highly recommends him.

On August 18, 1983, Mr. James L. Sullivan, President, Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce, 125 High Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, 617-426-1250, advised that he has known appointee five to six years. He advised that they met at the Harvard Faculty Club when he was City Manager of Cambridge and know each other mostly on a social basis.

Sullivan described appointee as a very controversial person. He feels appointee is a man of courage and conviction that he does not hesitate to speak his mind on issues. He stated that he admires appointee because of that fact. He advised that appointee is very professional and ethical in his dealings with people and is very honest with his feelings and thoughts as he sees them. He stated appointee has conducted himself as a very strong University President. Given this difficult role, appointee has been able to handle himself very well in pressure/stressful situations. He stated appointee is clearly an educated intelligent man who has demonstrated his oral and written abilities on numerous occasions. He advised from his experiences appointee is articulate in his speech and would assume his written work would also be of excellent quality.

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Sullivan advised that he knows of no derogatory information regarding the applicant. He stated he has no knowledge of whether appointee's use of alcohol is excessive and doubts very much that appointee would use drugs of any kind.

Sullivan concluded by stating appointee holds a good reputation and feels he will be a distinct asset to the committee because of his probing and positive nature. He stated he would highly recommend appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

On August 19, 1983, [ ]  
Brookline, Massachusetts, [ ]  
[ ] (limited partnerships  
dealing with real estate development) advised that he has known  
John Robert Silber (appointee) since 1968, when the appointee



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was Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Texas. [redacted] stated that the appointee hired him in 1968 to run an [redacted] foundation under the purview of the appointee. [redacted] further advised that the appointee hired him as [redacted] one year after the appointee arrived at Boston University and that he left Boston University in 1981 as [redacted] of Boston University in charge of [redacted]

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[redacted] described the appointee as honest, very intelligent and very ethical. [redacted] stated that the appointee is a hard worker, "perhaps too hard," who frequently works 18 hour days and is also a good family man. [redacted] stated that the appointee's social acquaintances include top-rated academics, and professionals and businessmen who serve on the Board of Trustees.

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[redacted] stated that the appointee's reputation at Boston University is that the appointee is "tough as hell," "loved by his friends," and "hated by his enemies." [redacted] qualified that statement by saying that any hatred toward the appointee stems from some necessary and tough financial decisions made by the appointee and that the hatred relates to the appointee's posture on certain issues and not to the appointee personally.

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[redacted] considers the appointee to be a "doer" with tremendous ability who is controversial because he speaks his mind.

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[redacted] advised that the appointee freely proclaims his patriotism and loyalty to the United States which [redacted] attributed to the appointee's Texas heritage.

[redacted] stated that the appointee is a "tremendous synthesizer" of information which enables the appointee to quickly understand the issues and resolve them.

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[redacted] has no knowledge of alcohol abuse or unauthorized drug use and would be shocked to learn the contrary were true.

[redacted] recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government without reservation and added that he would recommend the appointee for President of the United States.

On August 19, 1983, Mr. [redacted] (protect identity by request) [redacted]

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[redacted] advised

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that he has known appointee ten to twelve years. He could not recall specifically, how, where, and when they met but has both social and professional contacts with the appointee.

[ ] described appointee as an extremely honest individual with complete integrity. Appointee does not "suffer fools gladly" and can be quite abrasive towards many. Appointee runs Boston University (BU) in a very autocratic method. Appointee speaks to the point and in doing so he antagonizes many people. He stated that appointee is "not a diplomat." He said appointee is an extremely intelligent, motivated and well-read individual on a vast range of subjects.

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With regard to appointee's reputation, he feels one cannot disassociate it from one's enemies. He said appointee is "a doer" and "administrator of competence" and would give quite high marks to appointee for holding BU together yet others disagree. He personally thinks highly of appointee.

[ ] stated that ethically appointee is tops in his dealings with people yet cannot say the same with regard to his "professionalism." Appointee's professional demeanor is too aggressive and defensive in many respects and he "unnecessarily prejudices people" in order to get what he wants.

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[ ] advised appointee is extremely articulate and very literate with regard to oral and written presentations.

He knows of no derogatory information about appointee and believes him to be a loyal American. He has never known appointee to use alcohol to excess or to use illegal drugs of any kind.

He has never served on a committee with appointee and has no idea of how appointee would work out. Appointee likes to be boss and has no diplomacy in many respects which may hinder committee's work.

[ ] said he could not recommend appointee if the position calls for diplomacy. [ ] could recommend appointee if the committee needs an individual with originality of thought, a deep thinker, and if appointee was not chairman and the chairman were capable of handling appointee's strong aggressive behavior.

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On August 19, 1983, David Riesman, Professor, Department of Sociology, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts advised that he has known John Robert Silber since 1964 when Silber was Dean of Arts and Sciences at the University of Texas. Riesman stated that he had recommended Silber for his current position as President of Boston University.

Riesman stated that Silber is a highly intelligent extremely hardworking individual who pushes himself to the maximum. Riesman said that Silber puts forth all his energy in his endeavors and expects the same from those who work for him. Riesman said that Silber is almost "too effective." Consequently, Riesman stated Silber is not perceived by the general public as a very compassionate man. However, Riesman said, Silber is a devoted husband and father. Riesman pointed out that Silber "does not pull any punches" in expressing his opinions and that he can be a very formidable adversary who can defend his positions with impeccable logic. Riesman further advised that Silber is of very high integrity and maintains an excellent reputation in the community. Riesman stated that Silber is fiercely loyal to the United States Government. Riesman said he knows absolutely nothing derogatory about John Silber. Riesman said he feels Silber would bring enormous success to any position he would assume and that he highly recommends Silber for a position of trust and confidence with the government.



NEIGHBORHOOD

On August 15, 1983, Mrs. [redacted] Carlton Avenue, Brookline, Massachusetts, [redacted] advised that she has lived at that address for 37 years. She stated that she has known appointee and his family as neighbors for approximately ten years. [redacted] advised that appointee is not, in her opinion, very neighborly. She advised that he keeps to himself and never speaks if she should see him. She thinks of him as a very "indifferent" neighbor. She did advise that his wife is more neighborly in that she will accept packages for [redacted] if [redacted] is not home.

[redacted] advised that appointee's reputation is very two sided, that it depends upon who you talk to. She stated that people are never "indifferent" about appointee, either they like or dislike appointee. [redacted] described appointee as being honest, reputable and an individual with a great deal of integrity. She stated that appointee is very brilliant and articulate as evident in his speeches and lectures.

[redacted] advised that she knows of no derogatory information about appointee or his family. She stated that to her knowledge, appointee does not use alcohol to excess or any illegal drugs.

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[redacted] stated that she knows of no derogatory information about appointee or his family. She advised that she knows of no reason why appointee should not be hired to work for the United States Government. She stated that she would recommend him for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

On August 15, 1983, [redacted] Carlton Street, Brookline, Massachusetts, advised that she has lived at that address for over 30 years. She advised that she does not know appointee or his family personally although she knows of him through newspapers and television. She stated that as far as she knows, appointee is a good neighbor. She has never heard anything of a derogatory nature about appointee or his family.

[redacted] concluded by stating that appointee is an "island unto himself" and that she does not feel she can pass an opinion regarding his suitability for a position with the United States Government.

On August 15, 1983, [redacted] Carlton Street, Brookline, Massachusetts advised that she does not know appointee or his family in that she and her sister moved into the neighborhood only two weeks ago.

NEIGHBORHOOD (Con't)

On August 15, 1983, [redacted] Carlton Street, Brookline, Massachusetts, advised that she has lived at that address for seven years. She stated that she does not know appointee or his family. She advised that as far as she knows he has a good reputation in the neighborhood. She stated that she has never heard of any derogatory information about appointee or his family. She concluded by stating that she does not feel she could comment regarding appointee's suitability for a position with the United States Government.

On August 15, 1983, [redacted] Student, Boston University, [redacted] Carlton Street, Brookline, Massachusetts advised that she has lived at that address since May, 1983. She advised that she does not know appointee personally but knows of him through the neighborhood and school. She stated that she feels he has a good reputation in the neighborhood. She described appointee and his family as being very quiet and that they keep to themselves.

[redacted] described appointee as an honest individual who can be trusted with confidential sensitive information. She advised that appointee is always well prepared when giving speeches and is a very eloquent speaker with conservative ideas. She stated appointee works well under pressure situations and that he handles himself well as is evident in his question and answer interviews on campus. She advised that people either like or dislike him depending upon their philosophy and politics although she feels even those who dislike his stance on certain issues secretly carry respect for him.

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[redacted] advised that she knows of no derogatory information about the appointee or his family. She advised that to her knowledge appointee does not use alcohol to excess or illegal drugs of any kind. She advised that she feels he would be excellent in any United States Government position and that she highly recommends him.

On August 15, 1983, Mrs. [redacted] Prescott Street, Brookline, Massachusetts, [redacted] advised that she has lived at that address for 32 years. She stated that she has known appointee and his family as neighbors since they moved into the neighborhood. [redacted] described appointee as an honest, reliable, and responsible individual. She stated that he is a very good family man who is firm and severe if necessary. She advised that appointee is a good neighbor with a good reputation.



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She described his family as a tremendously upstanding family. She advised applicant is a serious individual who does not like small talk. She stated appointee's reputation is tremendous and that his associates are of high caliber.

[ ] stated that to her knowledge, appointee does not use alcohol to excess or illegal drugs of any kind. She knows of no derogatory information about the appointee or his family. She feels appointee is a trusted and loyal American with the best interest of those under him. She concluded by stating that the appointee is a very capable individual and she highly recommends him for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

On August 16, 1983, [ ] Prescott Street, Brookline, Massachusetts, advised that he has known John Robert Silber, (appointee), for approximately four or five years. [ ] who lives [ ] the appointee and [ ]

[ ] stated that he considers himself to be a friend of the appointee. [ ] considers the appointee to be one of the top five individuals he has ever known and a person who possesses great personal courage. [ ] stated that he knows no one with more integrity than the appointee and advised that the appointee is not afraid to take unpopular stands and has done so in the past in a direct, abrupt and sometimes offensive manner.

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[ ] further advised that the appointee closed down the Boston University Radio Station because of the station's political views which the appointee considered to be "leftist propaganda." [ ] described the appointee as a brilliant individual who is absolutely loyal to the United States and who has never compromised his integrity even though it would be easier and more popular to do so. [ ] stated the appointee would make a "hell of a president." [ ] advised that the appointee is reputed to be an honest and courageous person of very high character. [ ] hesitated to characterize the appointee as a conservative but did state that he was perceived as being too conservative by some people in the community who are "left of center" and added that any negative feelings toward the appointee stem merely from political differences. [ ] advised that he has no reason to suspect alcohol abuse or drug abuse by the appointee and recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government without reservation.

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NEIGHBORHOOD (Con't)

[redacted] suggested the only shortcoming the appointee might have is the appointee's impatience with weak minds and shoddy reasoning.

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CREDIT

On August 11, 1983, [redacted] Clerk, Credit Bureau Services, Incorporated, 6 St. James Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts, advised their files contained no derogatory information on John Robert Silber, date of birth: August 15, 1926.

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ARREST

On August 15, 1983, [redacted] Clerk, Record Unit, Brookline, Massachusetts, Police Department advised their files contain no record with anyone identifiable with the following individuals:

John Robert Silber, date of birth: August 15, 1926, appointee; Mary Kathryn Underwood, date of birth: January 31, 1927, appointee's spouse; [redacted] date of birth: [redacted] appointee's daughter; [redacted] date of birth: [redacted] appointee's daughter; [redacted] date of birth: [redacted] appointee's daughter; [redacted] date of birth: [redacted] appointee's daughter; [redacted] date of birth: [redacted] appointee's daughter; [redacted] date of birth: [redacted] appointee's daughter; and [redacted] date of birth: [redacted] appointee's ward.

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On August 11, 1983, [redacted] Clerk, Records Section, Boston Police Department, Boston, Massachusetts advised their files contain no record on anyone identifiable as John Robert Silber, date of birth: August 15, 1926.

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MISCELLANEOUS

On August 15, 1983, [REDACTED] Receptionist,  
United States Attorney's Office, 1107 J. W. McCormack Post  
Office and Courthouse, Boston, Massachusetts, advised that  
a search of thier open and closed files failed to disclose  
any prosecutive information on anyone identifiable as  
John Robert Silber.

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REFERENCE

Butel to WFO, dated 8/8/83.

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All individuals interviewed were advised of the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, and only those requesting confidentiality are so noted.

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Field Office File #: 161B-8986

Bureau File #:

Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis: Reference favorably recommends. Arrest negative.

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DETAILS:

Reference

On August 10, 1983, [redacted] New York City Public Library, Fifth Avenue and 42nd Street, New York, New York, advised that [redacted] reference, is in a travel status, out of the country, and he is expected to return to the United States on August 15, 1983.

On August 17, 1983, [redacted] New York City Public Library, Fifth Avenue and 42nd Street, New York, New York, telephonically advised Special Agent [redacted] [redacted] that he has been acquainted with appointee since 1968, when appointee was his dean at the University of Texas. [redacted] advised that appointee was articulate, conscientious, honest, personable and responsible. [redacted] further stated that he was affiliated with appointee both professionally as well as socially. He has never known the appointee to use any form of drugs or abuse alcohol to excess. [redacted] stated that appointee is a forthright individual as well as one who the appropriate temperament to deal with any matters he may be confronted with. Appointee is an individual of high moral standards. He was well thought of by his co-workers. [redacted] advised that his respect for appointee is unquestionable. Appointee is a loyal individual and would be an asset to the United States Government should he receive an appointment. [redacted] highly recommended appointee for a position of trust with the United States Government.

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Arrest

Records of the New York City Police Department, Identification Section, as caused to be searched on August 10, 1983, by Special Clerk [redacted] revealed no record of arrest identifiable with appointee's immediate relatives.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>HOUSTON</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>8/19/83</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>8/15/83 - 8/16/83</b>
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		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPECIAL INQUIRY</b>  <b>(BUDED: 8/22/83)</b> <b>WITHOUT FAIL</b>	

REFERENCE: San Antonio teletype dated 8/15/83.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE:

All individuals contacted were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974 and those requesting confidentiality have been so noted.

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Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

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Synopsis: Appointee's employment and subsequent dismissal at University of Texas at Austin, Texas verified and favorable.

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Austin, Texas

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED]

On August 15, 1983 [REDACTED] Secretary to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Texas, advised

[REDACTED] was on vacation and was not expected to return until August 25, 1983. She advised she expected him to telephonically contact her office in the next couple of days, at which time she would have him contact the interviewing agent.

On August 16, 1983 [REDACTED] telephonically contacted SA [REDACTED] and advised he wished to discuss his former association with the appointee telephonically rather than having an agent come to see him personally, inasmuch as he was out of town. At the outset of the interview, [REDACTED] stated he did not



✓ concur with articles he knew to be in the Austin, Texas, newspaper surrounding the leaving of the appointee from the University of Texas. He stated the appointee was relieved of his administrative duties in order to become President and Trustee of Boston University in January of 1971. This was brought about as a result of the Board of Regents of the University wishing to divide the College of Arts and Sciences into three separate schools inasmuch as that college had become so large at the university and it was possibly felt by some that the appointee was beginning to have more power than the president of the university. [redacted] advised although it may have looked that way to some, in fact, that was not the situation. The appointee never abused his position as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. ✓ The appointee was, however, strongly opposed to the (disillusion) of the College of Arts and Sciences into three separate schools. [redacted] stated it was merely a matter of difference of opinion between the appointee and the Board of Regents of the university. The appointee has a large ego but on the other hand, has a right to be proud because of his intelligence and accomplishments. He is a brilliant teacher and would be considered by some to be a loner in holding a position against all comers when he felt he was right. [redacted] further stated he felt some might feel, due to this, the appointee was sometimes not easy to work with; however, he stated, he, himself was very opinionated when he felt he was right and the appointee and he had a very high respect and regard for each other. The appointee is a very tenacious individual vis a vis succumbing to opposing opinions when he is convinced he is correct. [redacted] stated he considered this more of an asset than a liability, again lauding the appointee's intelligence. The appointee is extremely dependable, hardworking and takes a great amount of pride in whatever he does and will do an excellent job in whatever he undertakes. dissolution

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Regarding the appointee's personal life, he is of impeccable moral character, associates, and reputation. There is no question whatsoever concerning his loyalty to the United States. [redacted] stated he still considers the appointee to be a close personal friend and feels there are no hard feelings between the appointee and himself. He stated he would have no hesitation in affording the appointee the highest recommendation for any position of trust and confidence for which he is qualified.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, AUGUST 8, 1983.

PORTLAND AND ELSUR INDICES WERE NEGATIVE REGARDING  
APPOINTEE, CLOSE RELATIVES, AND CURRENT EMPLOYMENT AS  
SEARCHED BY SSA [REDACTED] ON AUGUST 17, 1983.

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REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, AUGUST 8, 1983.

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THE FOLLOWING INDICES AND COMPUTER LIST OF THE MOBILE OFFICE  
WERE SEARCHED ON APPOINTEE AND ALL OF APPOINTEE'S RELATIVES WITH  
NEGATIVE RESULTS, AS INDICATED BELOW:

OFFICE INDICES BY CLERK [REDACTED] ON AUGUST 9, 1983.

ELSUR INDICES BY FILE CLERK [REDACTED] ON AUGUST 10, 1983.

INFORMANT INDICES BY FILE ASSISTANT [REDACTED] ON

AUGUST  
9, 1983.

NAME/IDENT COMPUTER LIST OF ARCHIVED DATA BASE CASE "OPFOPEN"  
BY FILE CLERK [REDACTED] ON AUGUST 10, 1983.

SINCE NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION LOCATED AND NO FURTHER  
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FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU, KANSAS CITY GENERAL OFFICE  
INDICES AND ELSUR INDICES NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE AND CLOSE  
RELATIVES.

SEARCH CONDUCTED ON AUGUST 16, 1983 BY [REDACTED]

GENERAL OFFICE INDICES AND ON AUGUST 9, 1983 BY [REDACTED]

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPECIAL INQUIRY; BUDED AUGUST 22,  
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RE BUREAU TELETYPE AND BUREAU AIRTEL TO NEW HAVEN,  
AUGUST 8, 1983.

EDUCATION AND RESIDENCES:

ON AUGUST 17, 1983, MRS. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE  
ASSISTANT, ARCHIVES, YALE UNIVERSITY, NEW HAVEN, FURNISHED  
THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM RECORDS:

APPOINTEE, BORN AUGUST 15, 1926, AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS,  
ATTENDED YALE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL IN NEW HAVEN FROM  
SEPTEMBER, 1949, THROUGH JUNE, 1955. PHILOSOPHY  
COURSE OF STUDY AND HE WAS CONFERRED WITH A MASTERS DEGREE ON  
JUNE 9, 1952, AND PH.D. ON JUNE 11, 1956. WHILE ATTENDING

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YALE, APPOINTEE RESIDED AT 55 WILKINS STREET AND 64 LAKE

PLACE IN NEW HAVEN.

HE ALSO RESIDED AT 195 FOXON ROAD, EAST HAVEN, AND 131 BRIARCLIFF ROAD, HAMDEN.

THERE WAS NO UNFAVORABLE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN APPOINTEE'S FOLDER. THERE WAS BRIEF MENTION OF HIM ATTENDING YALE DIVINITY SCHOOL IN NEW HAVEN.

ON AUGUST 18, 1983, MRS. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, REGISTRAR'S OFFICE, GRADUATE SCHOOL, YALE UNIVERSITY, 320 YORK STREET, FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM RECORDS.

APPOINTEE BORN AUGUST 15, 1926, ATTENDED THE GRADUATE SCHOOL FROM SEPTEMBER, 1949, TO JUNE, 1955. HIS GRADES WERE EXCELLENT AS HE EITHER RECEIVED HONORS OR "HIGH PASS" IN EACH COURSE. THERE IS NOTHING UNFAVORABLE CONTAINED IN HIS FILE. NO RECORD WAS MAINTAINED ON CLASS STANDING. HE RECEIVED A MASTERS DEGREE ON JUNE 9, 1952, AND A DOCTORATE DEGREE IN PHILOSOPHY ON JUNE 11, 1956. BECAUSE OF THE LAPSE OF TIME SINCE APPOINTEE'S GRADUATION, THERE IS NO PROFESSOR CURRENTLY AVAILABLE WHO CAN FURNISH ANY INFORMATION ON APPOINTEE.

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ON AUGUST 17, 1983, MS. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, YALE DIVINITY SCHOOL, PROSPECT STREET, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, ADVISED FROM RECORDS THAT APPOINTEE ATTENDED THE SCHOOL FROM SEPTEMBER, 1947, TO MAY, 1948. HE COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING COURSES AND HIS GRADES ARE SET FORTH:

OLD TESTAMENT HISTORY AND LITERATURE - B

EUROPEAN CHRISTIAN HISTORY - A

STUDY OF SOCIETY - A

SOCIAL ETHICS - A

GENERAL LOGIC - A

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MS. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT THERE WAS NOTHING UNFAVORABLE IN APPOINTEE'S FILE. SHE SAID THAT THERE WERE NO INSTRUCTORS AT YALE DIVINITY SCHOOL WHO COULD FURNISH ANY COMMENTS ON APPOINTEE BECAUSE OF THE LAPSE OF TIME SINCE 1948.

EMPLOYMENT:

YALE UNIVERSITY, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT (1949-1955)

ON AUGUST 18, 1983, MS. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT, CONNECTICUT HALL, CHAPEL STREET, ADVISED THAT PROFESSOR CHARLES HANDEL, WHO WAS APPOINTEE'S

ADVISOR AT GRADUATE SCHOOL, IS DECEASED. THERE IS NO RECORD AVAILABLE TO VERIFY APPOINTEE'S POSITION AT YALE AS A READER IN PHILOSOPHY OR AS AN ASSISTANT IN THE PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT

✓ FROM 1949 TO 1955. SHE DID ADVISE THAT IT WAS CUSTOMARY FOR  
✓ GRADUATE STUDENTS TO DO THIS WHILE PURSUING THEIR DEGREE. ↑

SHE ADVISED THAT POSSIBLY MR. FREDERICK FITCH, FORMER DIRECTOR  
✓ OF GRADUATE STUDIES, MAY HAVE REMEMBERED APPOINTEE.

✓ ON AUGUST 18, 1983, MR. FREDERICK FITCH, RETIRED,  
✓ 307 LAWRENCE STREET, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, ADVISED THAT HE

REMEMBERS APPOINTEE AS A VERY FINE GENTLEMAN OF EXCELLENT  
✓ CHARACTER AND INTEGRITY. HE TAUGHT CO  
CURSES IN THE PHILOSOPHY

DEPARTMENT AT YALE WHILE OBTAINING A MASTERS DEGREE AND DOCTORATE DEGREE IN PHILOSOPHY. HE HIGHLY RECOMMENDS APPOINTEE FOR A SENSITIVE POSITION OF TRUST AND RESPONSIBILITY. HE IS AWARE OF THE FACT THAT APPOINTEE IS NOW THE PRESIDENT OF BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

HULL MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH, CHESHIRE, CONNECTICUT,  
(SEPTEMBER, 1947 - MAY, 1948)

THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED BY SPECIAL AGENT

ON AUGUST 15, 1983, IN CHESHIRE,

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REVEREND [ ] WAS INTERVIEWED AT HIS PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT, THE BAPTIST CHURCH OF CHESHIRE. REVEREND [ ] ADVISED THAT HIS CHURCH WAS FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE HULL MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH. HE HAS BEEN PASTOR OF THE CHURCH ONLY SINCE 1979. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE CHURCH ONLY KEEPS EMPLOYMENT RECORDS FOR ITS PASTORS, AND HE WOULD BE UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION ON APPOINTEE.

[ ] GAVE THE FOLLOWING NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY HAVE KNOWN THE APPLICANT:

FORMER PASTOR [ ] CHESHIRE, CONNECTICUT, TELEPHONE [ ]  
[ ] TELEPHONE [ ]  
[ ] CHESHIRE, CONNECTICUT, TELEPHONE [ ]

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[ ] WAS CONTACTED ON AUGUST 15, 1983, AT HIS RESIDENCE AND ADVISED THAT HE BECAME PASTOR OF HULL MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH IN 1960 AND THAT THE APPLICANT WAS UNKNOWN TO HIM.

[ ] AND [ ] WERE EACH CONTACTED AT THEIR



RESPECTIVE RESIDENCES AND ADVISED THAT THE APPLICANT WAS

UNFAMILIAR TO THEM. EACH STATED THAT IT WAS COMMON PRACTICE FOR THE CHURCH TO HIRE YALE DIVINITY SCHOOL STUDENTS FOR POSITION OF CHOIRMASTER DURING THE LATE 40'S AND 50'S BUT THAT THE APPLICANT'S NAME "DID NOT RING A BELL."

ON AUGUST 18, 1983, REVEREND [REDACTED] FOXON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 1225 NORTH HIGH STREET, EAST HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, ADVISED THAT HE HAS BEEN PASTOR FOR THREE YEARS AND CANNOT VERIFY FROM RECORDS OR PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE THAT APPOINTEE WAS A PART-TIME CHOIRMASTER AT THE CHURCH. THE FORMER PASTOR IS DECEASED AND HE KNOWS OF NO ONE WHO COULD FURNISH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

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CREDIT AND ARREST:

ON AUGUST 17, 1983, [REDACTED] CONSUMER INTERVIEWER, CREDIT BUREAU OF CONNECTICUT, INC. 71 ELM STREET, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, ADVISED SHE COULD LOCATE NO FILES REGARDING APPOINTEE.

ON AUGUST 12, 1983, SERGEANT [REDACTED], RECORDS, NEW HAVEN POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED HE COULD LOCATE NO ARREST RECORD REGARDING APPOINTEE OR HIS RELATIVES.

MISCELLANEOUS:

ON AUGUST 18, 1983, MRS. [REDACTED] SECRETARY, UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, ADVISED THAT SHE COULD LOCATE NO RECORD OF APPOINTEE IN THEIR INDICES.

NEW HAVEN INDICES AND ELSUR FILES NEGATIVE FOR ANY RECORD FOR APPOINTEE, CLOSE RELATIVES, AND PRESENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED AUGUST 11, 1983,  
WITHOUT FAIL.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES, AUGUST 9, 1983.

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PERSONS INTERVIEWED. EXPRESS PROMISES OF CONFIDENTIALITY BOTH  
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THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED AT TAMPA, FLORIDA:

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ON AUGUST 10, 1983, A CHECK OF GENERAL INDICES BY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FILE CLERK, ELSUR INDICES BY [REDACTED] INFORMANT

CLERK, REVEALED NO RECORD FOR APPOINTEE OR ANY OF HIS IDENTIFIED  
RELATIVES.

THE ABOVE COMPLETES ALL INVESTIGATION AT TAMPA.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983,  
WITHOUT FAIL (B).

REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE TO WASHINGTON FIELD, AUGUST 8, 1983,  
AND BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, AUGUST 8, 1983.

ALL PERSONS CONTACTED WERE APPRISED OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE  
PRIVACY ACT AND THOSE REQUESTING CONFIDENTIALITY HAVE BEEN SO NOTED.

SEARCH OF ST. LOUIS DIVISION GENERAL INDICES ON AUGUST 10,  
1983, BY MAIL AND FILE CLERK [REDACTED] AND SEARCH OF ST.  
LOUIS ELSUR INDEX BY ASSISTANT OFFICE SERVICE MANAGER [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ON AUGUST 19, 1983, DISCLOSED NO REFERENCES IDENTIFIABLE  
WITH APPOINTEE, HIS CLOSE RELATIVES, OR HIS PRESENT BUSINESS  
ESTABLISHMENT AS SET FORTH IN REFERENCED BUREAU TELETYPES.

REPORT FOLLOWS WITH RESULTS OF REVIEW OF RECORDS AT FEDERAL  
RECORDS CENTER, CIVILIAN BRANCH, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

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BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983.

REBUTEL TO ALL FBI OFFICES, SEPTEMBER 7, 1982.

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SAN ANTONIO GENERAL INDICES, AS CHECKED BY SECURITY PATROSCLERK

[REDACTED] NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE AND ALL CLOSE RELATIVES.

ELSUR AND INFORMANT INDICES, AS CHECKED BY FILE CLERK

[REDACTED] NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE AND ALL CLOSE RELATIVES.

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INVESTIGATIVE SUPPORT INFORMATION SYSTEM (ISIS), AS CHECKED  
BY FILE CLERK [REDACTED] NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE AND ALL  
CLOSE RELATIVES.

WOODMUR (MAJOR CASE 21) INDICES, AS CHECKED BY FILE CLERK

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JOHN ROBERT <sup>Osilber</sup>~~SIDLER~~; SPECIAL INQUIRY; BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983

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RE SAN ANTONIO TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU AUGUST 15, 1983.

EMPLOYMENT: UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, TEXAS (UTAT):

ON AUGUST 19, 1983,

ADVISED HE WAS THE

OF UTAT DURING JULY, 1970, WHEN APPOINTEE WAS FIRED FROM  
HIS POSITION AS DEAN, COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES, UTAT.

EXPLAINED THAT FORMER PRESIDENT, UTAT, HAD RECENTLY  
RESIGNED JUST PRIOR TO APPOINTEE'S FIRING AND THAT A POWER STRUGGLE  
DEVELOPED WITHIN UNIVERSITY. HE NOTED APPOINTEE WAS DEAN OF THE  
LARGEST COLLEGE IN THE UNIVERSITY WHICH HAD ABOUT 15,500 STUDENTS  
AND THAT HE APPEARED TO BE VERY POPULAR AND CONTINUALLY GAINING

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STRENGTH WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY. THE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MADE A  
DECISION TO SPLIT THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES INTO THREE SEPARATE  
ENTITIES, WITH A DEAN FOR EACH ENTITY. THE APPOINTEE ADAMANTLY  
DISAGREED WITH THIS DECISION AND CHOSE TO OPENLY OPPOSE THE DECISION  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

[ ] ADVISED THAT DUE TO APPOINTEE'S REFUSAL TO ACCEPT THE  
DECISION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, IT WAS DECIDED HE SHOULD BE REMOVED  
FROM HIS POSITION. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES VOTED TO EFFECT  
THE CHANGE IN THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES AS DESCRIBED ABOVE AND  
THE APPOINTEE THEN TOOK IT UPON HIMSELF TO APPEAL TO THE "TEXAS  
DEMOCRATIC POLITICAL MACHINE" TO STOP THE DECISION TO BREAK UP  
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES.

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[ ] SAID THAT AS A RESULT OF THIS ACTION BY THE APPOINTEE,  
[ ] CALLED THE APPOINTEE IN AND FIRED HIM. HE SAID THE  
APPOINTEE THEN RESUMED HIS POSITION OF FULL PROFESSOR OF PHILOSOPHY  
UNTIL HE WAS APPOINTED AS PRESIDENT OF BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

[ ] SAID HE CONSIDERED THE ABOVE SITUATION TO HAVE BEEN  
PERCIPITATED BY DIFFERENCES IN PHILOSOPHIES OF STRONG-WILLED  
INDIVIDUALS WITHIN UTAT AND DID NOT SEE THE CONFLICT AS ANY PERSONAL  
OR PRIVATE VENDETTA. HE SAID THE APPOINTEE LOST THE POWER STRUGGLE

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BECAUSE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO WHOM THE WELFARE AND PROGRESS

OF THE UNIVERSITY WERE ENTRUSTED, EXERCISED THEIR COLLECTIVE PEROGATIVE

OF CHARTING THE COURSE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE COLLEGES WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY.

[REDACTED] THE APPOINTEE AS DESCRIBED ABOVE, HE HAD THE HIGHEST REGARD FOR HIM AS AN INDIVIDUAL EDUCATOR AND ADMINISTRATOR. HE DESCRIBED THE APPOINTEE AS AN OUTSTANDING INTELLECTUAL WHO IS TOUGH MINDED, FAIR, HONEST, OUTSPOKEN, UNAFRAID AND UNTOWERING IN HIS PURSUIT OF BETTER THINGS FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE WORLD.

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[REDACTED] SAID THAT HE FELT THAT THE BEST THING THAT EVER HAPPENED TO BOSTON UNIVERSITY WAS WHEN THEY HIRED THE APPOINTEE TO BE PRESIDENT OF THAT INSTITUTION.

[REDACTED] SAID HE KNEW OF ABSOLUTELY NOTHING UNFAVORABLE CONCERNING THE APPOINTEE, CONSIDERED HIM TO BE AN OUTSTANDING AMERICAN WITH OUTSTANDING CHARACTER, ASSOCIATES AND REPUTATION AND RECOMMENDED HIM WITHOUT RESERVATION FOR ANY POSITION OF TRUST OR SENSITIVITY WITH THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

PHILADELPHIA REPORT TO FOLLOW.

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Title:

JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY

## Synopsis:

Appointee's date and place of birth, August 15, 1926, at San Antonio, Texas, verified through birth records. Appointee's graduation from Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas, and attendance at the University of Texas at Austin, Texas (UTAT) Law School verified and favorable. Appointee's employment at UTAT verified and favorable even though appointee was fired as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Persons interviewed indicated that they thought the reason for the firing was that the appointee opposed the splitting of the college which was favored by the then Chairman of the Board of Regents and not due to any lack of competence on the part of the appointee. Appointee's summer employments with the U.S. Bureau of Census not verified inasmuch as the nearest Census Bureau office is in Dallas, Texas. No criminal record for appointee located at Austin, Texas, nor were any records located for appointee or his family at San Antonio, Texas. Review of files at U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Texas, San Antonio, Texas, disclosed no references to appointee. Newspaper morgue, Austin Statesman, reviewed and summary of articles re appointee set forth.

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DETAILS:

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BIRTH

The following investigation was conducted by Special Clerk [redacted] at San Antonio, Texas:

On August 18, 1983, Miss [redacted] Clerk, Records Section, Bureau of Vital Statistics, San Antonio Metropolitan Health District, San Antonio, Texas, advised that according to records on file in that office John Robert Silber was born in San Antonio, Texas, on August 15, 1926. His parents were listed as Paul George Silber and Jewell Joslin. Miss [redacted] said this information is recorded on Registrar's Certificate number 2723 dated August 26, 1926.

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EDUCATION

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] at San Antonio, Texas:

On August 15, 1983, [redacted] Administrative Secretary, Registrar's Office, Trinity University, 715 Stadium, San Antonio, Texas, made available a copy of the appointee's permanent records at this institution which reflected the following information:

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Appointee was born on August 15, 1926, at San Antonio, Texas. He entered Trinity University on June 7, 1943, from Jefferson High School, San Antonio, Texas. He graduated from Trinity University in 1947 with a Bachelor of Art's Degree - Summa Cum Laude. The appointee majored in Philosophy, and minored in Art-German. His student activities included the following: Vice-President, Student Counsel Association, 1944-45; President, Sophomore Class, 1944-45; Vice-President, Heels Club, 1944-45; Debate Squad, 1944-45; President, Phi Kappa Delta, 1944-45; Student Counsel Representative; Junior Class, 1945-46; Art Editor, 1945-46; Parliamentarian-Triniteers, 1945-46; Who's Who, 1945-46; Legislative Assembly, 1946-47; President, Phi Kappa Delta, 1946-47.

The record indicates that a transcript was forwarded to Yale University, July 1, 1947, and is annotated that appointee received a Master of Art's-Philosophy from the Yale Graduate School in 1952.

There is no record of any disciplinary action being taken against appointee. The record did not contain the names of appointee's professors.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] at Austin, Texas:

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On August 15, 1983, [redacted] Registrar's office, UTAT, advised that his records indicate that the appointee attended the spring semester at UTAT taking one graduate course which he subsequently failed. Thereafter, the appointee attended the fall semester of 1949, as a first semester law school student at UTAT attaining a grade point average (GPA) of 85 on a 100 scale.

[redacted] added that his records do not indicate any scholastic or disciplinary probation for the appointee.

EMPLOYMENT

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [ ] at Austin, Texas:

University of Texas at Austin, Texas (UTAT)

On August 12, 1983, [ ] Personnel Department, UTAT, advised that the appointee was first hired as an assistant professor at UTAT in 1955 beginning with the fall semester in September 1955. The appointee was an Assistant Professor until September 1961, when he was promoted to the position of Associate Professor of Philosophy. This continued until September 1962, when the appointee was made a full professor of Philosophy and Chairman of the Philosophy Department. [ ] noted that the appointee continued as Chairman of the Philosophy Department until November 30, 1967, when he was promoted to the position of Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, continuing as a university professor of Arts and Letters. [ ] stated that on August 11, 1970, the appointee was fired as the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and thereafter continued as a professor of Philosophy until January 31, 1971, when he resigned from UTAT. The appointee's file indicates that he was recommended for re-employment.

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[ ] noted that the appointee received a Guggenheim Fellowship for study at Kings College, London, England, during the academic year, September, 1963, through September, 1964, and during the academic school year 1959 through 1960, the appointee was given a leave of absence from UTAT; however, [ ] records do not indicate where the appointee went.

On August 15, 1983, [ ] Secretary to the Vice President for Academic Affairs, UTAT, advised that her records indicate that the appointee received a Fulbright Research Grant to study in Bonn, West Germany, from September, 1959, to September, 1960.

On August 12, 1983, [ ] Personnel Department, UTAT, advised that while the appointee was the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, his Associate Dean was [ ], who has not been at UTAT for over 10 years. [ ] stated that the appointee's Assistant Dean for Student Affairs was [ ] who is currently the Assistant Dean in the College of Liberal Arts at UTAT. The Acting Chancellor at the time the appointee was fired as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences was Dr. Charles A. Le Maistre, who is currently President of the University of Texas Cancer Center, M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute, Houston, Texas. [ ] added that the President of the University at the time the appointee was Dean was H. Bryce Jordan, who is currently the President of the University of Pennsylvania, University Park, Pennsylvania.



On August 12, 1983, [redacted] College of Liberal Arts, UTAT advised that she was the [redacted] under the appointee while he was the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. [redacted] noted that she had disposition from the Spring, 1969, through August, 1970, but stated that she has not talked with the appointee since 1970, but based upon her year of service with him, she believes him to be an individual of extremely high moral character and excellent reputation. [redacted] noted that the appointee has no patience for stupidity in his co-workers and exacts very high standards of excellence not only of himself, but of those around him. [redacted] stated that he is a very capable and dynamic individual, who is an extremely hard worker and highly intelligent. [redacted] stated that she never had any reason to question his loyalty or choice of associates and is not entirely sure what brought about his termination as the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. [redacted] stated that she was not privy to the problems between the appointee and the top administrators at the university. [redacted] noted that she had very little social contact with the appointee but did meet and socialize to some extent with his wife, whom she considers to be a very charming woman. [redacted] never knew the appointee to use alcohol to excess nor any narcotics. [redacted] explained that even though the appointee is a very demanding individual and requires high standards of those around him, he is very fair and understanding. [redacted] stated that she would highly recommend him for a position of trust with the U.S. Government. [redacted] noted that the individual with whom the appointee had problems at the university, Frank Erwin, who was then the Chairman of the Board of Regents, is now deceased. [redacted] believed these problems to be the result of differences of opinion and that the appointee's termination as the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences was not due to any lack of confidence on his part.

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On August 15, 1983, [redacted] Administrative Assistant, College of Liberal Arts, UTAT, advised that she was well acquainted with the appointee during the time he was the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the university and even prior to that time. [redacted] stated that the appointee is full of integrity and a brilliant man who gets things done. [redacted] believes the appointee to be energetic and extremely intelligent and not adverse to working long hours in order to produce an excellent work product. [redacted] explained that she knew the appointee both professionally and socially since her husband was a good friend of the appointee and she thinks extremely highly of him. [redacted] stated that the appointee has an excellent reputation among his peers and only associates with individuals of good repute. She never had any reason to question his loyalty and highly recommended him. [redacted] added that she believes the appointee was fired as the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences since he believes very



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strongly in not fragmenting the colleges. The (then) Chairman of the Board of Regents, Frank Erwin, felt strongly that the College of Arts and Sciences, which was the largest college at the university should be split. [redacted] stated that the split was accomplished and the appointee's job was abolished; however, since then the university has seen the wisdom of keeping the college as it was under the appointee, and the college has in large part been reconsolidated. [redacted] stated that she was aware of nothing the appointee had done that would have dictated his firing, but believes it to be a clash between the appointee and Frank Erwin.

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On August 12, 1983, the Information Operator for the U.S. Government in Austin, Texas, was queried and it was determined that there is no office for the Bureau of Census in the Austin, Texas area. The nearest Bureau of Census office is located in Dallas, Texas.

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LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND CREDIT

The following investigation was conducted by Special Clerk [redacted] at San Antonio, Texas:

On August 18, 1983, computerized criminal records of the San Antonio Police Department and the Bexar County Sheriff's Office were checked with negative results regarding the following individuals:

John Robert Silber, date of birth, August 15, 1926-  
appointee;

Jewel Zemary Joslin, year of birth, 1894  
appointee's mother.

[redacted], year of birth [redacted]

On August 19, 1983, Miss [redacted] U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Texas, (WDT) San Antonio, Texas, advised she was unable to locate or identify any record in the criminal and civil records of that office for the appointee, John Robert Silber.

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The following investigation was conducted by SC [redacted]  
[redacted] at Austin, Texas:

On August 22, 1983, the following persons advised they could locate no records identifiable with John Robert Silber:

[redacted] Clerk, Texas Department of Public Safety,  
Crime Records Section;

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[redacted] Austin Police Department, Identification  
Division;

[redacted] Travis County Sheriff's Office, Identi-  
fication Division.

NEWSPAPER MORGUE

The following investigation was conducted by  
SC [redacted] at Austin, Texas:

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On August 22, 1983, a review of the newspaper articles located in the Austin American Statesman's Library disclosed that John Robert Silber was born on August 15, 1926, in San Antonio, Texas. Silber was appointed Dean for University of Texas College of Arts and Sciences on November 8, 1967, which became effective December 1, 1967. He originally joined the University of Texas at Austin, Texas (UTAT), staff in 1955, was chairman of the Philosophy Department since 1961 and Chairman of the Interdisciplinary Program in Comparative Studies since September 1967. He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree with highest honors in 1974 from Trinity University and attended Biblical Studies at Yale Divinity School in 1947-48. Appointee attended the University of Texas Law School for one semester in 1948-49. Appointee also attended Northwestern University Music School and received a Master of Arts Degree from Yale in 1952 and a Ph.D. in philosophy in 1956. While at Yale he was also a teaching assistant and instructor. Silber was fired as the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at UTAT in July 1970 with no reason given.

Silber has received numerous prizes and scholarships for debating and works in the fine arts. In 1967 he became one of eight persons in the United States to receive the E. Harris Arrbison Award for distinguished teaching. Silber is a member of several associations such as the Association of American University Professors, American Philosophical Association and College Classroom Teachers Association. In 1961, he was president of the Texas Society for the Abolition of Capital Punishment.

Silber is also listed in the Directory of American Scholars, Who's Who in America, Outstanding Personalities of the South and Who's Who in Texas today.

He is also author of "Kant's Ethics: The Unity of Form and Content" and more than 30 articles in American, German and British journals. He was also finishing a book entitled "Enlightenment and Blindness."

In 1978, he was having a problem at Boston University when he became Dean in 1971. He was being sued by "Boston University Exposure" newspaper over withholding of student activity fund from the paper.

In 1978, he was also quoted as saying the Medical School of Boston University accepts students based on grades, sex, race, and - - on how big a gift their fathers can make to the university.

There was no information of a derogatory nature contained in the appointee's file.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>San Antonio</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>Bureau</b>	DATE <b>8/22/83</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>8/12/83 - 8/22/83</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA</b>	TYPED BY <b>blh</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SPECIAL INQUIRY</b>	

**BUDED: 8/25/83 (without fail)**

**REFERENCE:** Bureau airtel to Alexandria, 8/8/83; San Antonio teletype to Bureau, 8/15/83, and Bureau teletype to San Antonio, 8/19/83.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE

All persons contacted were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act and none requested confidentiality.

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TITLE OF CASE <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SC</b>	TYPED BY <b>kk</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPECIAL INQUIRY (B)</b>	

## REFERENCE:

Bureau teletypes to all field offices and Washington Field, Bureau airtel to Alexandria, all dated 8/8/83; and St. Louis teletype to Bureau, 8/19/83.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE:

All persons contacted were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act and those requesting confidentiality have been so noted.

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Office: St. Louis

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Date:

August 22, 1983

Field Office File #:

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Bureau File #:

Title:

JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY

## Synopsis:

Silber was employed by the Bureau of Census and National Foundation of the Arts and the Humanities. Employments were terminated by reasons of termination and expiration of appointments.

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## DETAILS: AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

A review on August 16, 1983, of the records at the Federal Records Center, Civilian Branch, indicated John Robert Silber, Social Security Number 464-28-3640, was employed on August 3, 1948, as an enumerator with the Bureau of the Census at San Antonio, Texas. Employment was terminated on September 30, 1948, by reason of expiration of appointment.

He was employed on May 9, 1949, as an enumerator with the Bureau of the Census at Austin, Texas. Employment was terminated on August 27, 1949, by reason of termination, completion of work.

He was employed on December 9, 1966, as a consultant (intermittent) with the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities at Washington, D.C. Employment was terminated on December 8, 1967, by reason of expiration of appointment.

He was employed on March 22, 1968, as a consultant (intermittent) with the National Foundation of the Arts and

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Humanities at Austin, Texas. Employment was terminated on March 21, 1970, by reason of expiration of appointment.

He was not granted a security clearance.

His date and place of birth were shown as August 15, 1926, at San Antonio, Texas.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>BALTIMORE</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>8/22/83</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>8/17/83</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>shl</b> <span style="float: right;">b6 b7C</span>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPIN</b>	

REFERENCE: San Antonio teletype to Baltimore, 8/15/83.

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ADMINISTRATIVE DATA: BUDED: 8/22/83

No one contacted requested confidentiality under the provisions of the privacy act.

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Report of: SA [REDACTED]  
Date: AUGUST 22, 1983  
Field Office File #: 161B-7060  
Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Office: BALTIMORE

Bureau File #:

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

Former [REDACTED]

advised that

the appointee dismissed as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at University of Texas at Austin Texas as a result of a "straight forward power struggle over the control of the management and structure of the University" [REDACTED] highly recommended the appointee for government employment.

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DETAILS:

On August 17, 1983, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that he was [REDACTED] during the period that the appointee was Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Texas at Austin, Texas (UTAT). He advised that the appointee's dismissal as Dean was caused by a confrontation between the majority of the faculty and the administration of the college. He said this confrontation was over the splitting of the university into three separate colleges. The faculty on several occasions during January to March of 1970 voted against this split. The appointee was the leader of the faculty and carried this decision to the Chancellor and Board of Regents of the College. He advised that the Chancellor and the Board of Regents decided to split the college over the objection of the majority of the faculty members. When this split occurred, the appointee's position as Dean was abolished.



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[ ] stated that this action was a straight forward power struggle of the control of the management and structure of the university.

[ ] described the appointee as one of the most outstanding administrative educators in the United States. He stated that from 1971 to 1974 the appointee was President of Boston University and that he [ ] worked for the appointee during this period. He described the appointee as a strong administrator who has high expectations of his subordinates and sets very high standards for both himself and those who work for him. He advised that the appointee is honest, trustworthy and dependable. He further advised he never knew the appointee to use illegal drugs or to abuse alcohol. He advised he would not hesitate to give his highest recommendation to the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the U.S. Government.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED, AUGUST 22, 1983.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO MIAMI, DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

ON AUGUST 11, 1983, THE FOLLOWING MIAMI OFFICE RECORDS WERE  
CHECKED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS REGARDING APPLICANT AND ALL CLOSE  
RELATIVES:

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE NEW HAVEN	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU	DATE 8/23/83	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/12 - 18/83
TITLE OF CASE JOHN ROBERT SILBER		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY lg1
		CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY	

REFERENCE: Bureau teletype and Bureau airtel to New Haven, 8/8/83.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE:

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Report of: SA [REDACTED]  
Date: August 23, 1983

Office: New Haven

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Field Office File #: 161B-3087

Bureau File #:

Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis: Education and residence verified; employment as instructor, Dept. of Philosophy, Yale University, verified. Employment at Hull Memorial Baptist Church, Cheshire, Connecticut, and at Foxon Congregational Church, East Haven, Connecticut, as choirmaster not verified. Credit and arrest checks negative re appointee.

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DETAILS:EDUCATION AND RESIDENCES

On August 17, 1983, Mrs. [REDACTED] Administrative Assistant, Archives, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, furnished the following information from records:

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Appointee, born August 15, 1926, at San Antonio, Texas, attended Yale University Graduate School in New Haven from September, 1949, through June, 1955. Philosophy was his course of study and he was conferred with a Masters Degree on June 9, 1952, and Ph.D. on June 11, 1956. While attending Yale, appointee resided at 55 Wilkins Street and 64 Lake Place, in New Haven. He also resided at 196 Foxon Road, East Haven, and 131 Briarcliff Road, Hamden.

There was no unfavorable information contained in appointee's folder. There was brief mention of him attending Yale Divinity School in New Haven.

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On August 18, 1983, Mrs. [redacted] Administrative Assistant, Registrar's Office, Graduate School, Yale University, 320 York Street, furnished the following information from records.

Appointee born August 15, 1926, attended the Graduate School from September, 1949, to June, 1955. His grades were excellent as he either received honors or high pass in each course. There is nothing unfavorable contained in his file. No record was maintained on class standing. He received a Masters Degree on June 9, 1952, and a Doctorate Degree in Philosophy on June 11, 1956. Because of the lapse of time since appointee's graduation, there is no professor currently available who can furnish any information on appointee.

On August 17, 1983, Ms. [redacted] Administrative Assistant, Yale Divinity School, Prospect Street, New Haven, Connecticut, advised from records that appointee attended the school from September, 1947, to May, 1948. He completed the following courses and his grades are set forth:

Old Testament History and Literature - B+  
European Christian History - A  
Study of Society - A  
Social Ethics - A  
General Logic - A  
Ethical Theory - A

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Ms. [redacted] advised that there was nothing unfavorable in appointee's file. She said that there were no instructors at Yale Divinity School who could furnish any comments on appointee because of the lapse of time since 1948.

#### EMPLOYMENT

Yale University  
New Haven, Connecticut  
(1949-1955)

On August 18, 1983, Ms. [redacted] Administrative Assistant, Philosophy Department, Connecticut Hall, Chapel Street, advised that Professor Charles Handel, who was appointee's advisor at Graduate School, is deceased. There is no record available to verify appointee's position at Yale as a reader in philosophy or as an assistant in the Philosophy Department from 1949 to 1955. She did advise that it was customary for graduate students to do this while pursuing their degree. She advised that possibly Mr. Frederick Fitch, former Director of Graduate Studies, may have remembered appointee.



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On August 18, 1983, Mr. Frederick Fitch, retired, 307 Lawrence Street, New Haven, Connecticut, advised that he remembers appointee as a very fine gentleman of excellent character and integrity. He taught courses in the Philosophy Department at Yale while obtaining a Masters Degree and Doctorate Degree in Philosophy. He highly recommends appointee for a sensitive position of trust and responsibility. He is aware of the fact that appointee is now the President of Boston University.

Hull Memorial Baptist Church  
Cheshire, Connecticut  
(September, 1947 - May, 1948)

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on August 15, 1983, in Cheshire, Connecticut:

Reverend [redacted] was interviewed at his place of employment, the Baptist Church of Cheshire. Reverend [redacted] advised that his church was formerly known as the Hull Memorial Baptist Church. He has been pastor of the church only since 1979. He also stated that the church only keeps employment records for its pastors, and he would be unable to furnish any information on appointee.

[redacted] gave the following names and addresses of individuals who may have known the applicant:

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Former Pastor [redacted] Cheshire, Connecticut, telephone [redacted]  
[redacted] telephone [redacted]  
[redacted] Cheshire, Connecticut, telephone [redacted]

[redacted] was contacted on August 15, 1983, at his residence and advised that he became pastor of Hull Memorial Baptist Church in 1960 and that the applicant was unknown to him..

[redacted] and [redacted] were each contacted at their respective residences and advised that the applicant was unfamiliar to them. Each stated that it was common practice for the church to hire Yale Divinity School students for position of choirmaster during the late 40's and 50's but that the applicant's name "did not ring a bell."

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Foxon Congregational Church  
East Haven, Connecticut  
(September, 1950 - September, 1952)

On August 18, 1983, Reverend [ ] Foxon Congregational Church, 1227 North High Street, East Haven, Connecticut, advised that he has been pastor for three years and cannot verify from records or personal knowledge that appointee was a part-time choirmaster at the church. The former pastor is deceased and he knows of no one who could furnish any additional information.

CREDIT AND ARREST

On August 12, 1983, Sergeant [ ] Records, New Haven Police Department, advised he could locate no arrest record regarding appointee or his relatives.

On August 17, 1983, [ ] Consumer Interviewer, Credit Bureau of Connecticut, Inc., 71 Elm Street, New Haven, Connecticut, advised she could locate no files regarding appointee.

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On August 18, 1983, the following individuals were contacted at which time they advised records of their department were negative re John Robert Silber:

Officer [ ] Records,  
Cheshire, Connecticut, Police Department

[ ] Records,  
East Haven, Connecticut, Police Department (telephonically)

[ ] Records,  
Hamden, Connecticut, Police Department (telephonically)

MISCELLANEOUS

On August 18, 1983, Mrs. [ ] Secretary, United States Attorney, District of Connecticut, New Haven, Connecticut, advised that she could locate no record of appointee in their indices.

New Haven indices and elsur files negative for any record for appointee, close relatives, and present business establishment.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>PHILADELPHIA</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>8/23/83</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>8/19/83</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA</b>	TYPED BY <b>DAC</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPECIAL INQUIRY</b>	

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San Antonio teletype to Bureau, 8/15/83.  
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Report of: SA [REDACTED]  
Date: AUGUST 23, 1983Office: PHILADELPHIA,  
PENNSYLVANIA

Field Office File #: 161B-3837

Bureau File #:

Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

[REDACTED] interviewed by Bureau Agent and [REDACTED] his position as Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Texas at Austin, TX (UTAT), due to appointee's refusal to accept the decision of the Board of Trustees to split the department into three separate entities and the fact appointee appealed to outside faction (Texas Democratic Political Machine) in an effort to stop the decision of the Board of Trustees [REDACTED] advised that notwithstanding the above described situation he considered appointee to be an outstanding individual, educator and administrator who was an outstanding American with outstanding character, associates, and reputation. He recommended him without reservation for any position of trust or sensitivity with the U.S. Government.

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Details:

EMPLOYMENTUniversity of Texas  
Austin, TX (UTAT)

On August 19, 1983, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised he was the [REDACTED] of UTAT during July, 1970, when the appointee was fired from his position as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at UTAT.

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[ ] explained that the former president of UTAT had recently resigned just prior to appointee's firing and that a power struggle had developed within the university. He noted the appointee was the Dean of the largest college in the university which had about 15,500 students and that he appeared to be very popular and continually gaining strength within the university. The university board of trustees made a decision to split the College of Arts and Sciences in to three separate entities with a Dean for each entity. The appointee adamantly disagreed and chose to openly oppose the decision of the Board of Trustees.

[ ] advised that due to the appointee's refusal to accept the decision of the Board of Trustees, it was decided he should be removed from his current position. The Board of Trustees voted to effect the change in the College of Arts and Sciences as described above and the appointee then took it upon himself to appeal to the "Texas Democratic Political Machine" to stop the decision to break-up the College of Arts and Sciences.

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[ ] said that as a result of this action by the appointee [ ] called the appointee in and fired him. He said the appointee then resumed his position of Full Professor of Philosophy until he was appointed as president of Boston University.

[ ] said he considered the above situation to have been precipitated by differences in philosophies of strong willed individuals within UTAT and did not see the conflict as any personal or private vendetta. He said the appointee lost the power struggle because the Board of Trustees to whom the welfare and progress of the university was entrusted exercised their collective prerogative of charting the course for the administration of the colleges within the university.

[ ] the appointee as described above, he had the highest regard for him as an individual, educator, and administrator. He described the appointee as an outstanding intellectual who was tough minded, fair, honest, outspoken, unafraid and untiring in his pursuit of better things for the people of the United States and the world.



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[ ] said he felt the best thing that ever happened to Boston University was when they hired the appointee to be president of that institution.

[ ] said he knew of absolutely nothing unfavorable concerning the appointee, considered him to be an outstanding American with outstanding character, associates, and reputation and recommended him without reservation for any position of trust or sensitivity with the U.S. Government.

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REBTEL TO SAN DIEGO, AUGUST 11, 1983.

REFERENCE:

ON AUGUST 15, 1983, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, WAS CONTACTED.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE HAS KNOWN THE APPOINTEE FOR APPROXI-  
MATELY EIGHT OR NINE YEARS. [REDACTED] RELATED THAT HE AND  
APPOINTEE INITIALLY BECAME ACQUAINTED AS BOTH WERE VERY ACTIVE  
IN CIVIC-RELATED AFFAIRS IN THE BOSTON AREA A NUMBER OF YEARS  
AGO. SINCE THAT TIME, [REDACTED] AND APPOINTEE HAVE DEVELOPED  
A CLOSE SOCIAL RELATIONSHIP; HE HAS COME TO REGARD THE APPLICANT  
AS A CLOSE PERSONAL FRIEND. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED THE APPLICANT AS  
BEING AN OUTSTANDING HUMAN BEING, A GOOD AMERICAN, AND AN

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INDIVIDUAL WHO IS A GREAT ASSET TO THIS COUNTRY. THE APPLICANT WAS SAID TO BE VERY ABLE AND "ONE OF THE BRIGHTEST AND MOST ASTUTE PEOPLE" THAT [ ] HAS KNOWN. [ ] REGARDS APPLICANT AS BEING A DYNAMIC PERSON, A VERY POSITIVE-THINKING HUMAN BEING, AND A PERSON WHO WILL MAKE A TREMENDOUS CONTRIBUTION TO THE POSITION FOR WHICH HE IS BEING APPOINTED. [ ] ADVISED THAT THE APPOINTEE HAS AN IMPECCABLE CHARACTER AND IS AN OUTSTANDING LEADER WHO SAYS WHAT HE THINKS "WITH ELOQUENCE AND FACTS." THE APPOINTEE IS A LOYAL AMERICAN WHO DOES NOT USE DRUGS OR ABUSE ALCOHOL. [ ] ADVISED THAT APPLICANT IS "VERY VISIBLE" AND HAS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO HIDE. APPLICANT WAS SAID TO BE AN EXCELLENT FAMILY MAN WHO GETS ALONG VERY WELL WITH OTHERS AND WHO THRIVES ON CONTROVERSY AND STRESSFUL SITUATIONS. THE APPOINTEE IS EXTREMELY THOROUGH AND AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS WELL-PREPARED AND WHO DOES HIS HOMEWORK PRIOR TO UNDERTAKING A PROJECT. HE IS A QUALITY PERSON AND "AN ASSET TO EVERYONE." [ ] ENTHUSIASTICALLY RECOMMENDED APPOINTEE FOR THE POSITION WHICH HE IS BEING CONSIDERED.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983. (8. Civil Rights & Special Inq Sect)

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI OFFICES DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

ALBANY INDICES NEGATIVE REGARDING APPOINTEE AND ALL CLOSE RELATIVES LISTED IN REFTTEL.

GENERAL INDICES SEARCHED ON AUGUST 18, 1983, BY [REDACTED] SUPPORT SERVICES AIDE. (dlw)

CFR INDICES SEARCHED ON AUGUST 19, 1983, BY [REDACTED] SUPPORT SERVICES AIDE.

ELSUR INDICES SEARCHED ON AUGUST 19, 1983, BY [REDACTED]

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PRESIDENT'S NATIONAL BI PARTISAN COMMISSION ON CENTRAL  
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REBUTEL TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES DATED AUGUST 19, 1983.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU, KANSAS CITY PREVIOUSLY  
SUBMITTED INDICE SEARCH RESULTS ON ALL COMMISSION MEMBERS  
LISTED ON RE TELETYPE WITH EXCEPTION OF WILLIAM R. WALSH AND  
NICHOLAS F. BRADY, BOTH OF WHICH XXXX ARE NEGATIVE IN KANSAS  
CITY GENERAL OFFICE AND ELSUR INDICES. KANSAS CITY AS OF  
THIS DATE HAD NOT PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED ANY COMMUNICATIONS  
RE WALSH AND BRADY.

SEARCH CONDUCTED ON AUGUST 22, 1983 BY [REDACTED]

GENERAL OFFICE INDICES AND [REDACTED] - ELSUR INDICES.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUG. 22, 1983, WITHOUT  
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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FIELD OFFICES, AUG. 9, 1983.

BH ELSUR AND GENERAL INDICES NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE AND HIS  
IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS.

BH ELSUR INDICES SEARCHED BY SC [REDACTED] AUG. 10, 1983,  
AND BH GENERAL SEARCHED BY SC [REDACTED] AUG. 19, 1983. SPIN.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983.

RE BUTEL TO ALL FIELD OFFICES, DATED AUGUST 19, 1983, CAPTIONED: Rights & Inq Sect  
PRESIDENT'S NATIONAL BI PARTISAN COMMISSION ON CENTRAL AMERICA.

ALL PERSONS CONTACTED WERE APPRISED OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE  
PRIVACY ACT, AND THOSE REQUESTING CONFIDENTIALITY HAVE BEEN SO NOTED.

SILBER WAS EMPLOYED BY THE BUREAU OF CENSUS AND NATIONAL  
FOUNDATION OF THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES. EMPLOYMENTS WERE TERMINATED  
BY REASONS OF TERMINATION AND EXPIRATION OF APPOINTMENTS. *dlw*

ST. LOUIS GENERAL INDICES NEGATIVE REGARDING SILBER.

ST. LOUIS REPORT DATED AUGUST 22, 1983 TO FOLLOW.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>WASHINGTON FIELD</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>8/24/83</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>8/10/83 - 8/24/83</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 0 20px;"> </span> INE <i>hth</i>	TYPED BY <i>mne</i> <span style="float: right;">b6 b7C</span>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SPIN</b>	<b>CC TO CLASSY</b> <b>RR 8/27/83</b> <b>Oct 07 1993</b> <b>ANS BY GH/Vilsy</b>

REFERENCE: Bureau teletype to WFO, dated 8/8/83.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE

"Where appropriate, Privacy Act (e) (3) data was furnished to [redacted] interviewed. Express promises of confidentiality, both limited and unlimited, have been noted where granted."

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED <input type="checkbox"/> NONE					ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN: PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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APPROVED <i>6/1/84</i>					SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Report of: SA [REDACTED] MNE  
Date: AUGUST 24, 1983

Office: WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Field Office File #: 161-16915

Bureau File #:

Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis: No record was located for Silber in the files of the Record Office, White House Office. Department of Commerce OIG and security no record. No record was located for Silber through checks with Washington, D.C., area local law enforcement agencies. No record was located at the U.S. Secret Service.

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White House Office (WHO)

A search of the files of the Records Office, WHO, by SA [redacted] on August 15, 1983, revealed the following record concerning John Robert Silber:

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August 10, 1983, appointed to be a member of the National Bipartisan Commission on Central America.

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Inspector General's Office

On 8/15/83, SC [redacted] caused a search to be made of the files of the Inspector General's Office, United States Department of Commerce, and was advised that no identifiable record could be located regarding the appointee, John Robert Silber.

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Security

On 8/15/83, SC [REDACTED] caused a search to be made of the Security Office, United States Department of Commerce and was advised that no identifiable record could be located regarding the appointee, John Robert Silber.

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### Criminal

On 8/22/83, a query was made in the Washington Area Law Enforcement computer (WALES) and it was determined that no record was located for MPD concerning the appointee.

It is to be noted that at all times an indefinite number of unidentified records may not be in the computer and not available for review.

On 8/15/83, SC [ ] determined that no record was contained in the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Motor Vehicle Services, Government of the District of Columbia files concerning the appointee.

On 8/16/83, SC [ ] searched the files of the United States Park Police and no identifiable adult criminal or traffic record could be located regarding the appointee. b6 b7C

### Miscellaneous

SA [ ] caused a search to be made of the files of the U. S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury, and was advised on 8/24/83, that no record was found concerning the appointee.



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JOHN ROBERT SILBER - SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 25, 1983

ADMINISTRATIVE: ALL PERSONS INTERVIEWED WERE APPRISED OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVACY ACT AND NO REQUESTS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY WERE RECEIVED.

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, ALL INDIVIDUALS INTERVIEWED DURING THE COURSE OF THIS INVESTIGATION COMMENTED FAVORABLY REGARDING APPOINTEE'S CHARACTER, REPUTATION, ASSOCIATES, AND LOYALTY.

BIRTH: APPOINTEE'S DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH AS AUGUST 15, 1926, IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, VERIFIED AT THE SAN ANTONIO BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS, REGISTRAR CERTIFICATE #2723.

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EDUCATION: APPOINTEE'S GRADUATION FROM TRINITY UNIVERSITY, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, IN 1947 VERIFIED. APPOINTEE GRANTED A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE - SUMMA CUM LAUDE. RECORD FURTHER REFLECTS APPOINTEE RECEIVED A MASTER OF ARTS - PHILOSOPHY FROM YALE UNIVERSITY IN 1952. APPOINTEE'S RECORD AT TRINITY UNIVERSITY CONTAINS NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION. APPOINTEE'S ATTENDANCE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, TEXAS, IN 1949 VERIFIED. NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION CONTAINED IN APPOINTEE'S RECORD.

EMPLOYMENT: APPOINTEE'S EMPLOYMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, TEXAS, FROM SEPTEMBER, 1955, UNTIL SEPTEMBER, 1961, AS AN ASSISTANT PROFESSOR; FROM SEPTEMBER, 1961, UNTIL SEPTEMBER, 1962, AS AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR; FROM SEPTEMBER, 1962, UNTIL NOVEMBER 30, 1967, AS A FULL PROFESSOR AND CHAIRMAN OF THE PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT; FROM NOVEMBER 30, 1967, UNTIL AUGUST 11, 1970, AS DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES; AND FROM AUGUST 11, 1970, UNTIL JANUARY 31, 1971, AS A PROFESSOR OF PHILOSOPHY VERIFIED THROUGH PERSONNEL RECORDS. THE RECORD REFLECTS THAT APPOINTEE WAS FIRED AS DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES ON AUGUST 11, 1967, AND CONTINUED HIS

EMPLOYMENT AS A PROFESSOR UNTIL JANUARY 31, 1971, WHEN HE RESIGNED. THE APPOINTEE'S FILE INDICATES HE IS ELIGIBLE FOR REEMPLOYMENT. RECORDS FURTHER REFLECT THAT APPOINTEE WAS GRANTED A LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM SEPTEMBER, 1959, TO SEPTEMBER, 1960, FOR THE PURPOSE OF STUDYING IN BONN, WEST GERMANY, UNDER A FULLBRIGHT RESEARCH GRANT. ALSO, A LEAVE WAS GRANTED FROM SEPTEMBER, 1963, THROUGH SEPTEMBER, 1964, WHEN APPOINTEE RECEIVED A GUGGENHEIM FELLOWSHIP FOR STUDY AT KINGS COLLEGE, LONDON, ENGLAND. [REDACTED], COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, TEXAS, AND

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[REDACTED] COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN, TEXAS, INTERVIEWED AND HIGHLY RECOMMENDED APPLICANT. BOTH ADVISED APPOINTEE WAS FIRED AS DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES DUE TO A DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN HIMSELF AND FRANK ERWIN (DECEASED), THEN CHAIRMAN OF THE UNIVERSITY'S BOARD OF REGENTS. ERWIN WANTED TO SPLIT THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES INTO TWO SEPARATE SCHOOLS. APPOINTEE OPPOSED THIS SPLIT, WHICH DID TAKE PLACE, AND AS A CONSEQUENCE, APPOINTEE WAS FIRED AS DEAN BUT REMAINED AT THE UNIVERSITY AS A FULL PROFESSOR.

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CRIMINAL CHECKS: NO ARREST RECORD LOCATED AT AUSTIN OR SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, FOR APPOINTEE OR APPOINTEE'S RELATIVES.

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHECKS: NO RECORD LOCATED FOR APPOINTEE IN CRIMINAL OR CIVIL FILES OF THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS.

NEWSPAPER MORGUES: THE LIBRARY OF THE AUSTIN AMERICAN STATESMAN CONTAINED VARIOUS ARTICLES REGARDING APPOINTEE WHICH CONTAINED BIOGRAPHICAL DATA, AND REPORTED BOTH HIS APPOINTMENT AS DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AND THE FACT HE WAS FIRED IN 1970. OTHER ARTICLES HAVE REFERENCE TO A DISPUTE APPOINTEE WAS HAVING AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION WAS LOCATED IN THIS FILE.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983,  
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REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, DATED AUGUST 8, 1983.

A REVIEW OF THE NEW YORK INDICES ON AUGUST 24, 1983, BY SUPPORT  
EMPLOYEE [REDACTED] REVEALED NO IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION REGARDING  
APPOINTEE OR MEMBERS OF FAMILY.

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A CHECK OF ELSUR INDICES ON AUGUST 23, 1983, BY SUPPORT  
EMPLOYEES [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] PROVED NEGATIVE REGARDING

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APPOINTEE AND MEMBERS OF FAMILY.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>ALEXANDRIA</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>8/25/83</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>8/24/83</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>JOHN ROBERT <del>REDACTED</del> SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>b6 mbe</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPECIAL INQUIRY</b>	

REFERENCE: Bureau airtel to Alexandria, 8/8/83.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

All individuals contacted were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act and those requesting confidentiality have been so noted.

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**ANS BY** *GM 11/04*

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Report of:

SA [REDACTED]

Office: Alexandria, Virginia

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Field Office File #:

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Bureau File #:

Title:

JOHN ROBERT ~~REDACTED~~ SILBER

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

Agency check revealed no derogatory information.

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in March, 1982, name checks were conducted on  
appointee with positive results at FBI and DCII.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPECIAL INQUIRY; BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO WFO, AUGUST 22, 1983.

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AND THAT IN MARCH, 1982, NAME CHECKS WERE CONDUCTED  
ON APPOINTEE WITH POSITIVE RESULTS AT FBI AND DCII.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY

RE: BUREAU TELETYPE, AUGUST 8, 1983.

OFFICE AND INDICES AND ELSUR FILES NEGATIVE REGARDING  
APPOINTEE AND CLOSE RELATIVES AS OF AUGUST 25, 1983. SPECIAL  
AGENT [ ] HANDLED THIS MATTER.

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John Robert Silber

PRESIDENT'S NATIONAL BI PARTISAN COMMISSION ON CENTRAL AMERICA,

SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 25, 1983.

RE BUTEL, AUGUST 19, 1983.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, A REVIEW OF SALT LAKE CITY  
INDICES AND ELSUR FILES WAS NEGATIVE CONCERNING PROPOSED COMMISSION  
MEMBERS BASED ON INFORMATION CONTAINED IN RETEL.

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John Robert Silber

PRESIDENT'S NATIONAL BI PARTISAN COMMISSION ON CENTRAL AMERICA.

RE BUTEL TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES DATED AUGUST 19, 1983.

SAN JUAN OFFICES INDICES TO INCLUDE ELSUR INDICES HAVE  
BEEN SEARCHED IN REFERENCE TO ALL INDIVIDUALS LISTED ON REFERENCED  
TELETYPE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. RESULTS OF THESE SEARCHES HAVE  
BEEN PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED TO HEADQUARTERS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI PRIORITY

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED]

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983

RE BUREAU TELCAL TO JACKSONVILLE, AUGUST 26, 1983.

ON AUGUST 26, 1983, A REVIEW OF JACKSONVILLE GENERAL INDICES,  
CONFIDENTIAL INDICES, AND ELSUR INDICES WAS MADE CONCERNING  
APPOINTEE AND CLOSE RELATIVES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

INDICES CHECKS CONDUCTED BY JACKSONVILLE EMPLOYEES AC

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1 - Mr. O'Connor  
1 - Miss [redacted]

August 29, 1983

BY COURIER

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[initials]

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Honorable Fred F. Fielding  
Counsel to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Fielding:

In accordance with a request from you on August 8, 1983,  
an investigation has been conducted concerning Dr. John Robert Silber. Transmitted herewith are copies of reports containing the results of this investigation.

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Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Oliver B. Revell  
Assistant Director  
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NOTE: Since January, 1971, appointee has been President and a trustee of Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts. Investigation is favorable and complete.

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12	JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY-EXPANDED NAME CHECK BUDED: 10/17/84 WITHOUT FAIL. {B}						
10	BUREAU HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO CONDUCT EXPEDITE EXPANDED NAME CHECK REGARDING CAPTIONED INDIVIDUAL FOR PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT POSITION NOT INDICATED.						
8	BORN AUGUST 15, 1926, IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, RESIDES 132 CARLTON STREET, BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS; IS EMPLOYED AS PRESIDENT, BOSTON UNIVERSITY, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS; AND HAS SSAN 464-28-3640.						
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NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS REQUESTED AT THIS TIME, HOWEVER,  
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10-11, 1984

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- ☐ Restricted Search (Active Index - 5 & 20)  
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**OCT 11 1984**

Subject SILBER, John Robert  
 Birthdate & Place 8-15-26, San Antonio, TX  
 Address BROOKLINE, MA  
PRES: Boston U  
 Localities 464-28-3640

R# 102 Date 10/11 Searcher Initials 408

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Subj: Silber, John Robert

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We request: Copy of Previous Report  
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NOTE: Previous investigation 8/29/83.

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Checks of the records of appropriate United States Attorneys' Offices and central files at FBI headquarters and in appropriate field offices, including the files of the Identification Division and appropriate computer data bases, contain no information or no additional pertinent information identifiable with the subject of this inquiry based on the data provided.

Assistant Director  
Criminal Investigative  
Division



## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

**APPLICANT**

Address 1919 Cincinnati Ave. San Antonio, Tex.  
Birthplace San Antonio Texas Citizenship USA  
Age 18 Date of birth August-15th-1926  
Height 5'8" Weight 138  
Hair Blond Eyes Blue  
Complexion Fair Build Medium  
Scars and marks Mole Birthmark on left wrist. Rt. arm  
off below elbow.

July-3rd-1945  
(Date impressions taken)

Tom P. Farley  
(Signature of official taking prints)

Fingerprint Expert, Police Dept.  
(Title and official agency)

San Antonio, Texas  
City State

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IMPORTANT-PLEASE INCLUDE ALL REQUESTED DATA

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# APPLICANT

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(Surname) (First) (Middle)  
(Please type or print plainly)

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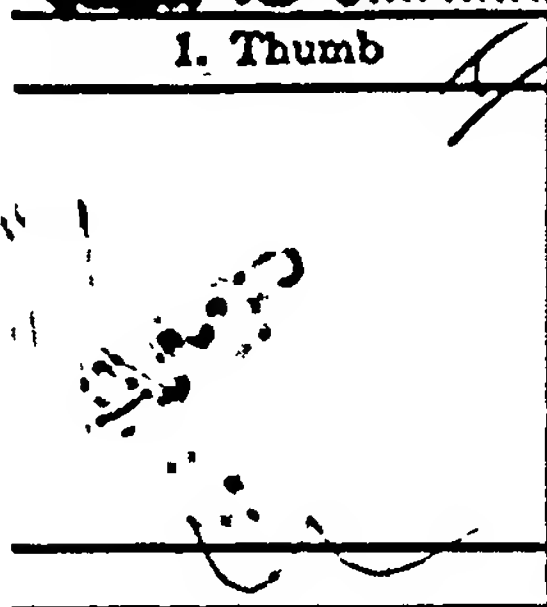
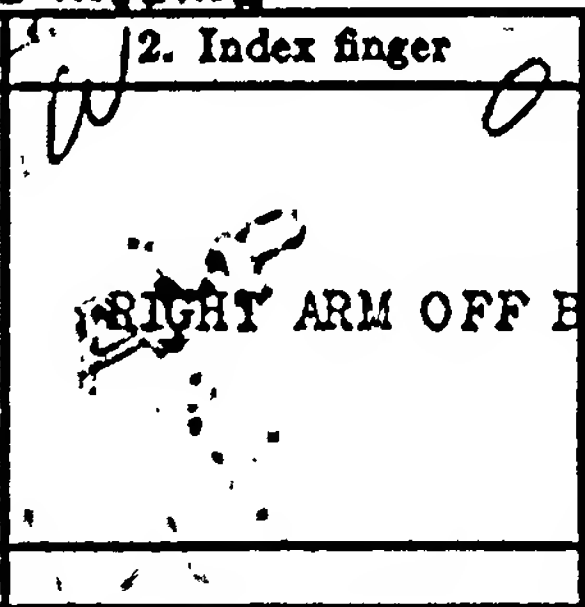
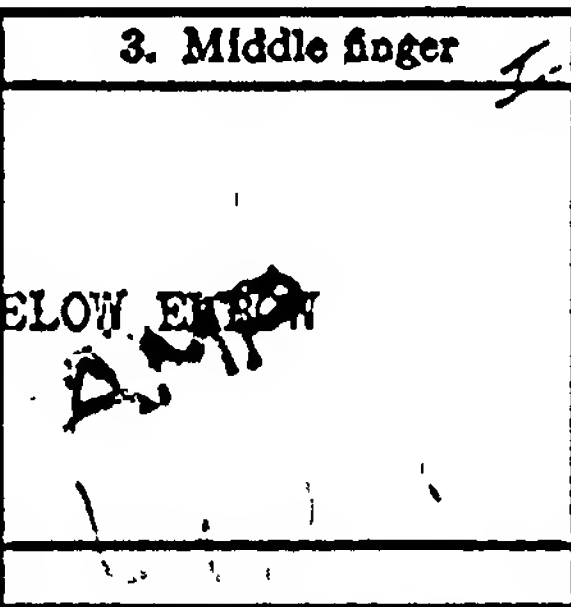
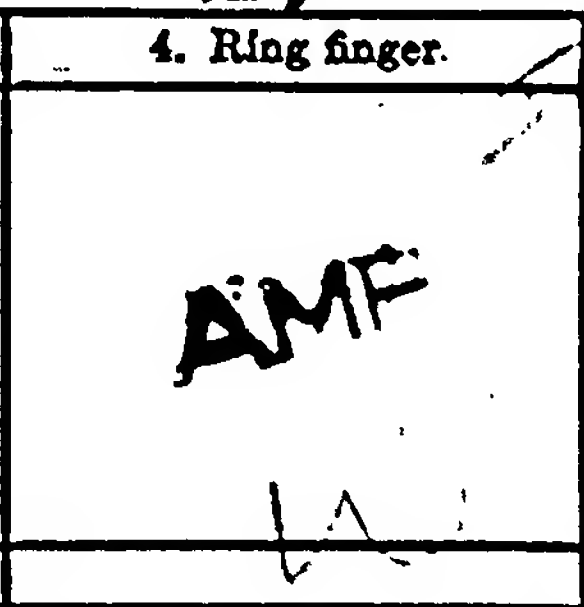
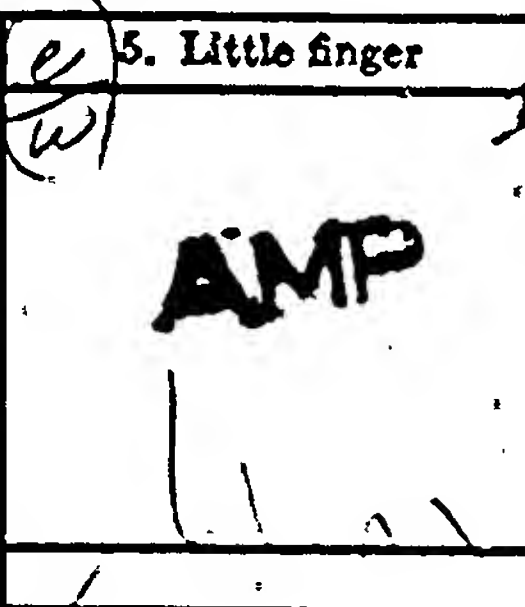
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RIGHT ARM OFF BELOW ELBOW

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LEFT HAND

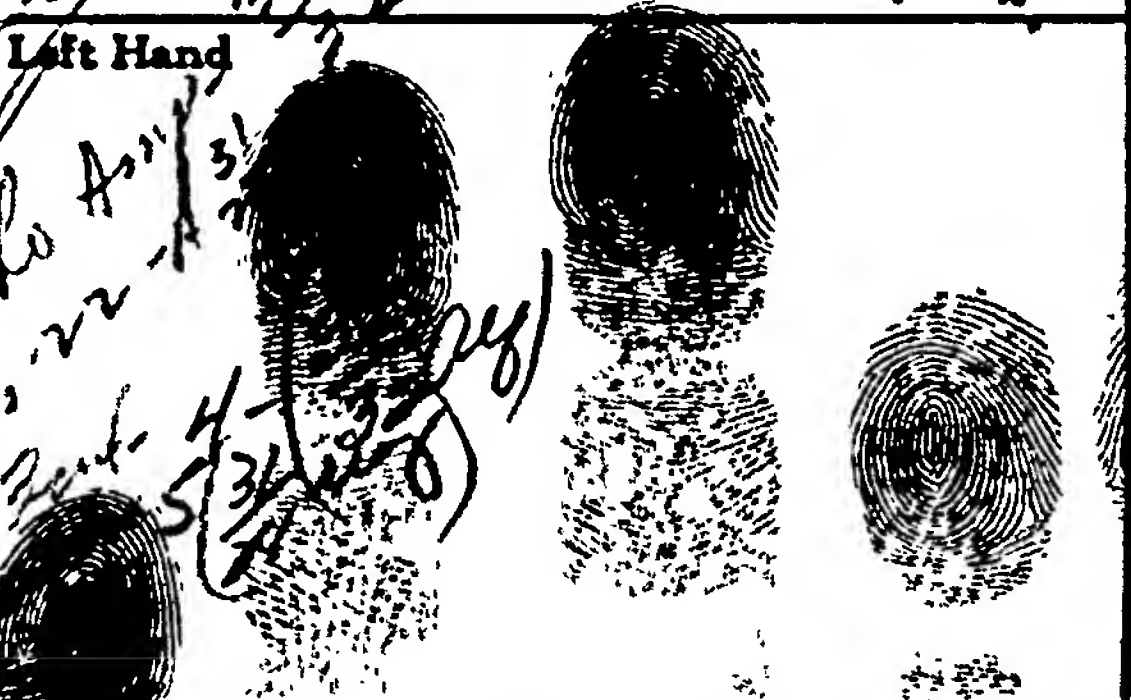

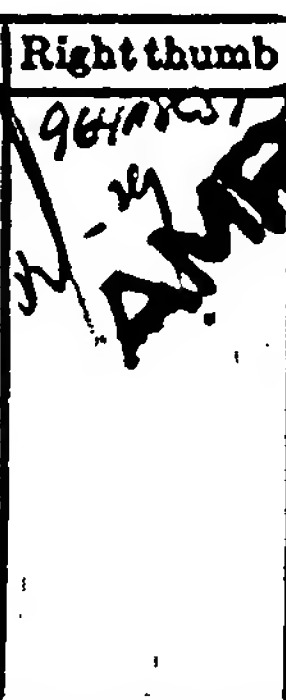
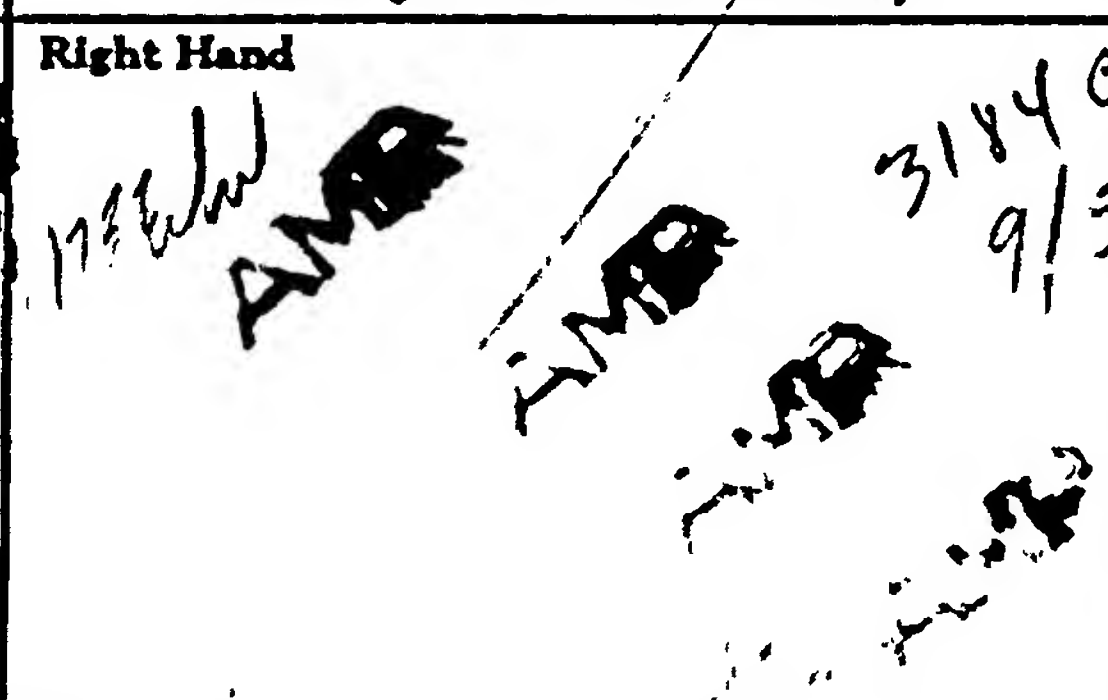
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Right Arm Off  
below elbow

John R. Silber  
(Applicant's signature)

Four fingers taken simultaneously

Four fingers taken simultaneously

Left Hand	Left thumb	Right thumb	Right Hand
			

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Enumerator

DEPARTMENT AND BUREAU

Department of Commerce  
Bureau of the Census

DUTY STATION (City and State)

304 W. 8th Street  
Austin, Texas

YOUR RESIDENCE ADDRESS

1806 Travis Hts. Blvd.  
Austin, Texas

Have you ever been arrested for any reason whatsoever?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If so, give details in space provided below:

DATE OF ARREST

AGE

CHARGE

ARRESTING AGENCY

DISPOSITION

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### INSTRUCTIONS

In order to obtain legible fingerprints, the following suggestions are made:

Use printer's ink.

Distribute ink evenly on inking slab.

Wash and dry fingers thoroughly.

4. In rolling fingers, roll from nail to nail, and avoid allowing fingers to slip.

Be sure impressions are recorded in correct order.

Give complete information as requested on the card.

Mention amputations and deformities which make it impossible to print the finger.

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EXPLANATION

REGISTRY NUMBER—Any registry number known should be noted in this space, such as: Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, etc.

Case Serial Number" on reverse of this form to be left blank for use of Civil Service Commission only.

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SINCE NEITHER FINGERPRINTS NOR AN IDENTIFYING NUMBER WHICH IS INDEXED IN OUR FILES ACCOMPANIED YOUR REQUEST, FBI CANNOT GUARANTEE IN ANY MANNER THAT THIS MATERIAL CONCERNS THE INDIVIDUAL IN WHOM YOU ARE INTERESTED.



(Please Type) SURNAME GIVEN NAME MIDDLE NAME Silber, John Robert			NC 291 788		AMP	
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AMP	AMP	AMP	AMP	AMP		
LEFT HAND						
6. THUMB	7. INDEX FINGER	8. MIDDLE FINGER	9. RING FINGER	10. LITTLE FINGER		
DATE OF BIRTH Aug. 15, 1926		PLACE OF BIRTH San Antonio, Texas		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE	HEIGHT 5' 8"	
SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL TAKING PRINTS W.C. Nelson		NOTE AMPUTATIONS RT FOREARM DEFORMED		EYES Blue	HAIR Blond	
TITLE AND ADDRESS IDENTIFICATION OFFICER AUSTIN, POLICE DEPT.		EMPLOYEE'S SIGNATURE John R. Silber		RES. NO. 464-28-3680		
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PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION

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(Please type or print plainly)

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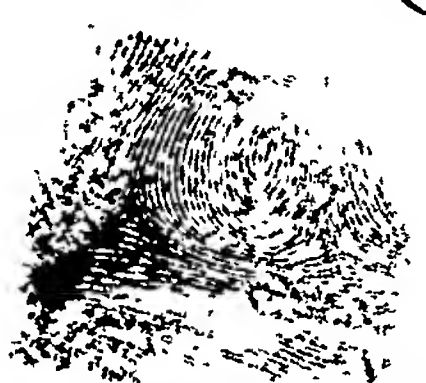


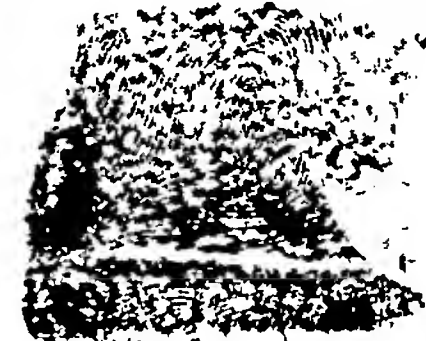
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RIGHT HAND

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LEFT HAND

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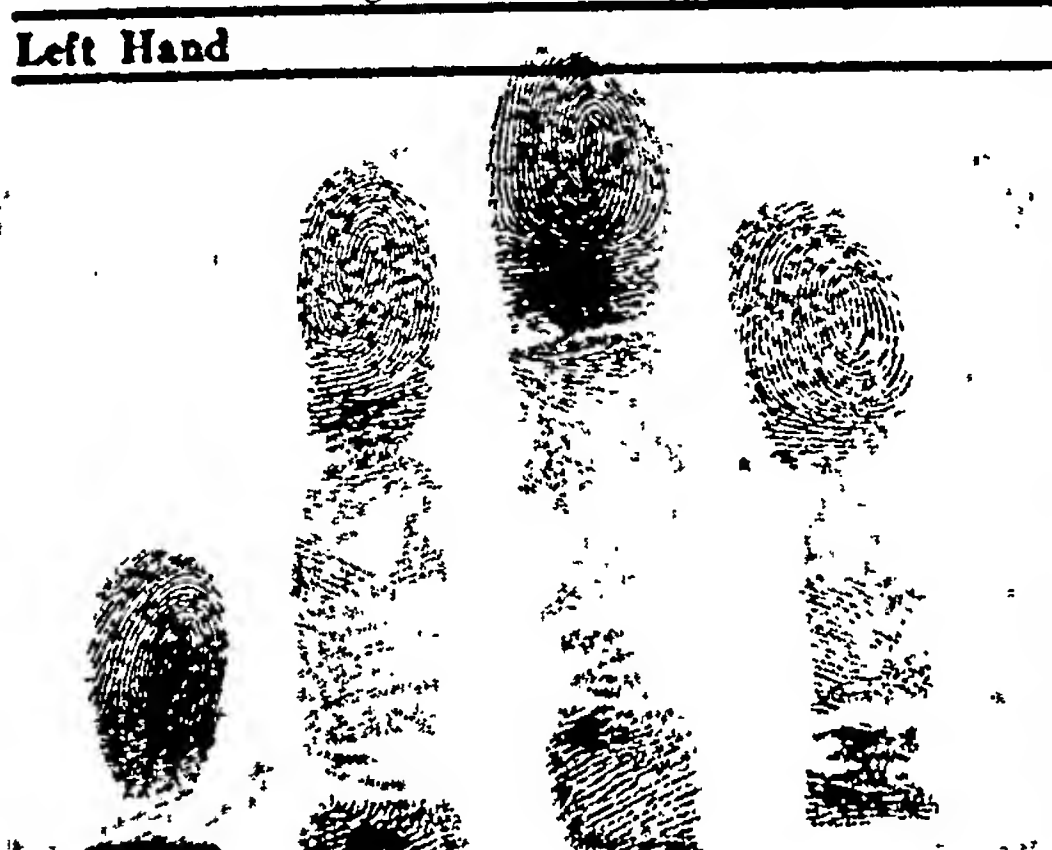
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Note Amputations

Right Hand amput.

Signature

Four Fingers Taken Simultaneously



L. Thumb



R. Thumb

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Right Hand

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Right Hand

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Right Hand Amputated  
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## CIVIL FINGERPRINT CARD

FORWARDED FOR PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES ONLY

Name John Robert Dillon Height 55 inches Build light  
 Address 1919 W. Cincinnati Weight 70 pounds Comp. fair  
 City San Antonio, Texas Eyes blue Hair blonde  
 Place of birth San Antonio, Texas Scars and marks Right arm off  
 Date of birth August 15, 1926 below elbow  
 Nationality American

REMARKS: NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST  
 RELATIVE OR PERSON TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE  
 OF EMERGENCY.

Mr. & Mrs.

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Wanted & CCH Files  
Attn: Mrs. [REDACTED]

FROM: SPECIAL INQUIRY Room 5161 TL 233 ATT: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN, BUDED: 10-16

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Subject is described as follows:

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DOB: 8 AUGUST 15, 1926  
POB: SAN ANTONIO, TX  
SSAN: 464-28-3640  
Current residence: 132 CARLTON STREET,  
BROOKLINE, MA  
Employment: PRESIDENT, BOSTON UNIVERSITY,  
BOSTON, MA.

Close Relatives:

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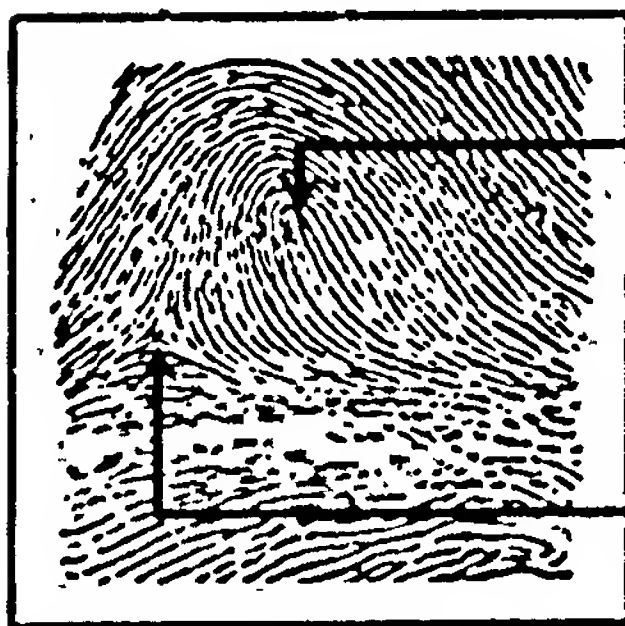
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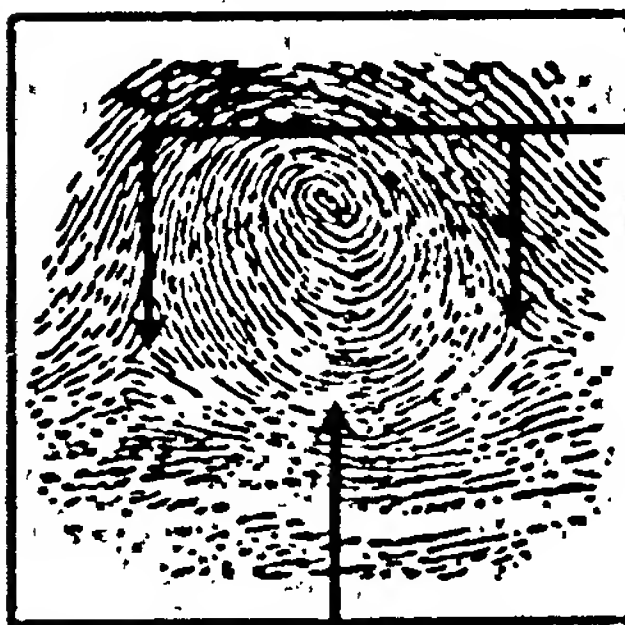


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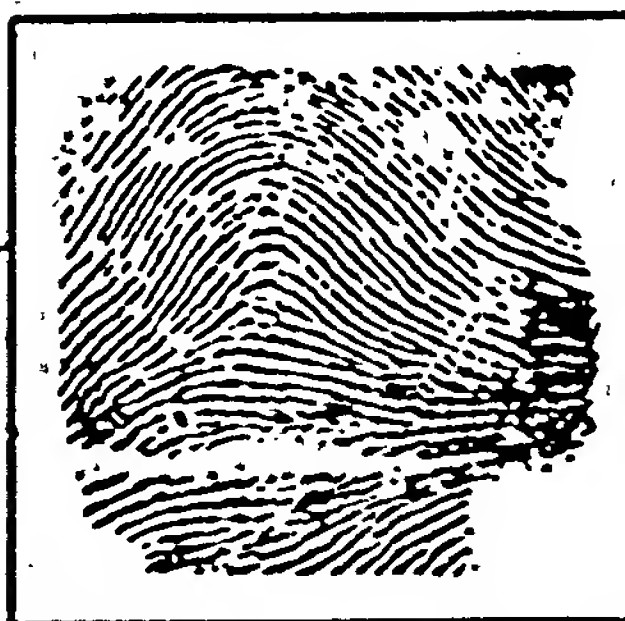
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3. WASH AND DRY FINGERS THOROUGHLY.
4. ROLL FINGERS FROM NAIL TO NAIL AND AVOID ALLOWING FINGERS TO SLIP.
5. BE SURE IMPRESSIONS ARE RECORDED IN CORRECT ORDER.
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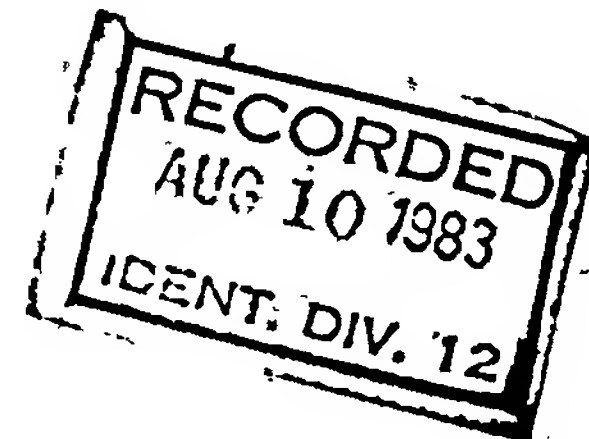
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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. PRINTS MUST FIRST BE CHECKED THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE STATE IDENTIFICATION BUREAU, AND ONLY THOSE FINGERPRINTS FOR WHICH NO DISQUALIFYING RECORD HAS BEEN FOUND LOCALLY SHOULD BE SUBMITTED FOR FBI SEARCH.
  2. PRIVACY ACT OF 1974 (P.L. 93-579) REQUIRES THAT FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL AGENCIES INFORM INDIVIDUALS WHOSE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER IS REQUESTED WHETHER SUCH DISCLOSURE IS MANDATORY OR VOLUNTARY, BASIS OF AUTHORITY FOR SUCH SOLICITATION, AND USES WHICH WILL BE MADE OF IT.
  3. IDENTITY OF PRIVATE CONTRACTORS SHOULD BE SHOWN IN SPACE "EMPLOYER AND ADDRESS". THE CONTRIBUTOR IS THE NAME OF THE AGENCY SUBMITTING THE FINGERPRINT CARD TO THE FBI.
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TO DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPECIAL INQUIRY-EXPANDED NAME CHECK, BUDED:

OCTOBER 17, 1984 WITHOUT FAIL.

RE BUREAU TEL OCTOBER 10, 1984.

ON OCTOBER 16, 1984 THE GENERAL OFFICE INDICES AND THE ELSUR  
INDICES OF THE BOSTON DIVISION WERE SEARCHED BY IA [REDACTED]  
WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS RE IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION REGARDING  
APPOINTEE BASED ON INFORMATION SET FORTH IN RETEL.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER  
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REFERENCED BUREAU MEMO WFO  
TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES, DATED  
10/12/84.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH REQUEST CONTAINED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE  
THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

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NO IDENTIFIABLE RECORD OBTAINED.

U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

On 10/16/84, IA [redacted] caused a  
search to be made of the pending and closed cases of the Civil  
and Criminal Divisions of the U.S. Attorney's Office, U.S. District  
Courthouse, and was advised by the following individuals that no  
identifiable record could be located regarding the appointee,

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPECIAL INQUIRY-EXPANDED NAME CHECK:

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ON OCTOBER 17, 1984, [REDACTED] RECORD CLERK, UNITED

STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS ADVISED A  
REVIEW OF HER FILES FAILED TO LOCATE ANY INFORMATION PERTAINING  
TO THE APPOINTEE IN EITHER PENDING OR CLOSED FILES OR OF A CIVIL  
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Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, I yield the floor.

## PROGRAM

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, just to recap the matters for Monday, the Senate will convene at 11 a.m. Under the standing order, the two leaders will be recognized for not to exceed 10 minutes each.

There is a special order in favor of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. PROXMIRE] for not to exceed 15 minutes to be followed by a special order for the Senator from Alabama [Mr. HEFLIN] for not to exceed 15 minutes.

Following the execution of these special orders, there will be a period for the transaction of routine morning business not to extend beyond the hour of 11:45 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak therein for not to exceed 5 minutes each.

Following routine morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 1714, the 1985 farm bill. Votes

can be expected during Monday's session.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY,  
OCTOBER 28, 1985, AT 11 A.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands in adjournment until 11 a.m., Monday, October 28, 1985.

Thereupon, at 5:43 p.m., the Senate adjourned until Monday, October 28, 1985, at 11 a.m.

## NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate October 25, 1985:

## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

John R. Bolton, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice Robert A. McConnell, resigned.

## IN THE NAVY

The following-named officer to be placed on the retired list in the grade indicated under the provisions of title 10, United States Code, section 1370:

## To be admiral

Adm. Wesley L. McDonald, 579-24-4664/1310, U.S. Navy.

The following-named officer, under the provisions of title 10, United States Code, section 601, to be assigned to a position of importance and responsibility designated by the President under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

## To be vice admiral

Vice Adm. Kendall E. Moranville, 493-34-4890/1310, U.S. Navy.

## CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate October 25, 1985:

## NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HANDICAPPED

John S. Erthein, of California, to be a member of the National Council on the Handicapped for a term expiring September 17, 1987.

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Joseph A. Grundfest, of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for the term expiring June 5, 1990.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Natale H. Bellocchi, of New York, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Botswana.

Michael Sotirhos, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Jamaica.

Clyde D. Taylor, a Maryland, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Paraguay.

Robert G. Houdek, of Illinois, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Uganda.

Malcolm Richard Wilkey, of Texas, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Oriental Republic of Uruguay.

Richard Schifter, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs.

## UNITED NATIONS

Adele Langston Rogers, of Maryland, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the 40th session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

The following-named persons to be members of the Advisory Board for Radio Broadcasting to Cuba for the terms indicated:

For a term of 2 years:

Jose Luis Rodriguez, of Florida.

For terms of 3 years:

Joseph Francis Glennon, of Florida.

Danford L. Sawyer, Jr., of Florida.

Midge Decter, of New York, to be a member of the Advisory Board for Radio Broadcasting to Cuba for a term of 1 year.

John R. Silber, of Massachusetts, to be a member of the Advisory Board for Radio Broadcasting to Cuba for a term of 1 year.

Antonio Navarro, of New York, to be a member of the Advisory Board for Radio Broadcasting to Cuba for a term of 3 years.

U.S. INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
COOPERATION AGENCY

Dwight A. Ink, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Dennis Eugene Whitfield, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Labor.

FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW  
COMMISSION

Joyce A. Doyle, of New York, to be a member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for the remainder of the term expiring August 30, 1986.

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION  
CORPORATION

Roger A. Yurchuck, of Ohio, to be a Director of Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 1987.

The above nominations were approved subject to the nominees' commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

## THE JUDICIARY

Laurence H. Silberman, of the District of Columbia, to be U.S. district judge for the District of Columbia circuit.

John S. Erthein, of California, to be U.S. district judge for the southern district of California.

Lyle E. Stahl, of Nebraska, to be U.S. circuit judge for the district of Nebraska.

Jose Antonio Fuste, of Puerto Rico, to be U.S. circuit judge for the district of Puerto Rico.

Richard H. Battey, of South Dakota, to be U.S. circuit judge for the district of South Dakota.

## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Roy C. Hayes, Jr., of Michigan, to be U.S. attorney for the eastern district of Michigan for the term of 4 years.

Donald R. Brookshier, of Illinois, to be U.S. Marshal for the southern district of Illinois for the term of 4 years.

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**National Bipartisan Commission on  
Central America**

*Appointment of the Chairman and  
Members. July 19, 1983*

The President today announced his intention to appoint the following individuals to be members of the National Bipartisan Commission on Central America:

*Dr. Henry Kissinger*, Chairman of the Commission, New York, N.Y.

*Nicholas F. Brady*, managing director, Dillon Read & Co., Inc., Far Hills, N.J.

*Henry G. Cisneros*, mayor, San Antonio, Tex.

*William P. Clements, Jr.*, former Governor of Texas, Dallas, Tex.

*Dr. Carlos F. Diaz-Alejandro*, professor of economics, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

*Wilson S. Johnson*, president, National Federation of Independent Business, San Mateo, Calif.

*Lane Kirkland*, president, AFL-CIO, Washington, D.C.

*Dr. Richard M. Scammon*, political scientist, Chevy Chase, Md.

*Dr. John Silber*, president, Boston University, Brookline, Mass.

*Potter Stewart*, Associate Justice, Supreme Court of the United States (Retired), Washington, D.C.

*Ambassador Robert S. Strauss*, attorney at law, Washington, D.C.

*William B. Walsh*, president, Project Hope, Bethesda, Md.

The President's Representative to the Commission will be:

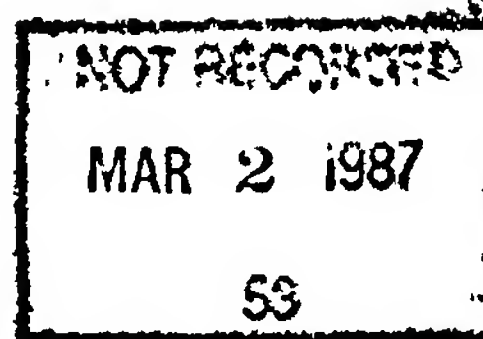
*Ambassador Jeane J. Kirkpatrick*, United States Representative to the United Nations.

The Commission is bipartisan, with no more than 7 of its 12 members from the same political party. In addition to the above, there will be Senior Counselors designated by the President. They will include two Democrats recommended by the Speaker and two Republicans recommended by the minority leader from the House of Representatives, and two Republicans recommended by the majority leader and two Democrats recommended by the minority leader from the United States Senate.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AND HAS SSAN: 464-28-3640.

RESIDENCES: 9/72 TO PRESENT, 132 CARLTON STREET,  
BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS.

EMPLOYMENT: 1/71 TO PRESENT, TRUSTEES OF BOSTON  
UNIVERSITY, 147 BAY STATE ROAD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, AS  
PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEE.

REFERENCES AND ASSOCIATES: LIEUTENANT GENERAL VICTOR H.  
KRULAK, 3665 CARLTON STREET, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONE  
714/225-3353; MR. [REDACTED] WESRAY CORPORATION,

[REDACTED] TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

MR. [REDACTED] THE SIGNAL COMPANIES, INCORPORATED,

[REDACTED] TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DR. ARTHUR G. B. METCALF, ELECTRONICS

CORPORATION OF AMERICA, 265 WINTER STREET, WALTHAM,

MASSACHUSETTS TELEPHONE 617/466-8000; MR. GEORGE HART, P. O.

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CLEARANCES: APPOINTEE INDICATES HE WAS GRANTED A SECRET  
CLEARANCE BY THE DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL SECURITY CLEARANCE OFFICE  
{DISCO}, COLUMBUS, OHIO, ON MARCH 13, 1981. APPOINTEE ALSO  
WAS GRANTED A TOP SECRET CLEARANCE BY THE DEFENSE POLICY  
BOARD, ON JANUARY 9, 1987.

APPOINTEE WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE DECISIONS CONCERNING  
POLICY AND PERSONNEL MATTERS; THEREFORE, DURING INTERVIEWS,  
DETERMINE IF APPOINTEE HAS EXPRESSED OR MANIFESTED ANY BIAS OR  
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RACIAL OR ETHNIC GROUP. ALSO DETERMINE IF APPOINTEE USES  
ILLEGAL DRUGS OR ABUSES ALCOHOL.

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SF 86 AND RECORDS RELEASE FOLLOW BY AIRTEL; ENCLOSURE FOR  
WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE FORWARDED BY SPECIAL MESSENGER.

AS THIS IS PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT, FIELD OFFICES ARE  
EXPECTED TO MEET DEADLINE.

## LEADS:

ALEXANDRIA VERIFY APPOINTEE'S DIRECTORSHIP WITH THE  
NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA. ALSO,  
CHECK APPROPRIATE SECURITY RECORDS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF  
DEFENSE. {APPOINTEE LISTS RECEIVING A TOP SECRET CLEARANCE IN  
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VERIFY APPOINTEE'S DIRECTORSHIP WITH THE ELECTRONICS  
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OFFICES WHEREVER APPOINTEE HAS LIVED OR WORKED AS AN ADULT TO  
DETERMINE IF THERE IS ANY INDICATION APPOINTEE HAS BEEN  
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 Birthdate & Place 08/15/26 SAN Antonio, TX  
 Address Brockline, MA

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Subject SILBER, DAVID Justin
 Birthdate & Place 02/21/53 New Haven, CT

 Address New York, NY

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# SECURITY INVESTIGATION DATA FOR SENSITIVE POSITION

CASE SERIAL NO. (CSC use only)

INSTRUCTIONS.—Prepare in triplicate, using a typewriter. Fill in all items. If the answer is "No" or "None," so state. If more space is needed for any item, continue under item 28.

1. FULL NAME (Initials and abridgements of full name are not acceptable. If no middle name, show "(NMN)"; if initials only, show "(no given or middle name)".)		(LAST NAME) <u>Silber</u> (FIRST NAME) <u>John Robert</u> (MIDDLE NAME) <u>7-16-1926</u>		2. DATE OF BIRTH <u>August 15, 1926</u>	
OTHER NAMES USED. (Maiden name, names by former marriages, former names changed legally or otherwise, aliases, nicknames, etc. Specify which, and show dates used) <u>None</u>		3. PLACE OF BIRTH <u>San Antonio, Texas</u>		4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE	
6. <input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOW(ER) <input type="checkbox"/> DIVORCED		7. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED, GIVE FULL NAME AND DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH OF SPOUSE OR FORMER SPOUSE. INCLUDE WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME. GIVE DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE OR DIVORCE. (Give same information regarding all previous marriages and divorces.) <u>Mary Kathryn Underwood, b. January 31, 1927, Normana, Texas</u> <u>Married 7-12-47, San Antonio, Texas</u>			
8. DATES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE. (If actual places of residence differ from the mailing addresses, furnish and identify both. Begin with present and go back to January 1, 1937. Continue under item 28 on other side if necessary.)					
FROM		TO		NUMBER AND STREET	
9/72		Present		132 Carlton Street	
1/72		9/72		57 Sargent Crossway	
10/71		1/72		132 Carlton Street	
1/71		-10/71		10 Emerson Street	
8/61		1/71		3124 Wheeler Street	
2/56		8/61		2705 Parkview Drive	
9/59		7/60		66 Huppenbergstr	
8/55		2/56		1803 Alguno Road	
4/55		8/55		55 Wilkins Street	
8/53		4/55		195 Foxon Road	
8/50		8/53		64 Lake Place	
8/49		8/50		131 Briarcliff Road	
CITY		STATE		BS	
Brookline		MA			
Brookline		MA			
Brookline		MA			
Boston		MA			
Austin		TX			
Austin		TX			
Pech/BAD Godesberg/		Germany			
Austin		TX			
New Haven		CT			
East Haven		CT			
New Haven		CT (See attached)			
Hamden		CT			
9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BY BIRTH <input type="checkbox"/> NATURALIZED ALIEN REGISTRATION NO. DATE, PLACE, AND COURT					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. CITIZEN CERT. NO. PETITION NO.					
<input type="checkbox"/> DERIVED-PARENTS CERT. NO(S).					
<input type="checkbox"/> ALIEN REGISTRATION NO. NATIVE COUNTRY DATE AND PORT OF ENTRY					
10. EDUCATION. (All schools above elementary.)					
NAME OF SCHOOL		ADDRESS		DEGREES	
Thomas Jefferson High School, San Antonio TX		1940		1943	
Trinity University San Antonio, TX		1943		1947	
Northwestern University		Summer 1944 (Music)		B.A. Philosophy	
Yale Divinity School New Haven, Ct		1947			
Univ. Texas Law School Austin, TX		1948		1949	
Yale University New Haven, Ct		1949		1955	
				M.A., Ph.D., Philosophy	
11. THIS SPACE FOR FBI USE (For use by FBI only.)					
12. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER <u>464-28-3640</u>					
13. MILITARY SERVICE (Past or present) <u>None -- 4F</u>					
SERIAL NO. (If none, give grade or rating at separation)		BRANCH OF SERVICE (Army, Navy, Air Force, etc.)		FROM (Yr.) TO (Yr.)	

BASED UPON INFORMATION FURNISHED,  
A SEARCH OF THE IDENTIFICATION  
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19. HAVE YOU EVER HAD A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN OR HAVE YOU EVER HAD MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR A MENTAL CONDITION? ☐ YES ☒ NO.  
(If your answer is "Yes," give details in item 28.)

20. FOREIGN COUNTRIES VISITED (SINCE 1930). (Exclusive of military service.)

COUNTRY	DATE LEFT U.S.A.	DATE RETURNED U.S.A.	PURPOSE
Germany (Side trips to France, Italy, Greece, Switzerland for pleasure and sightseeing.) (See Attached Sheet)	August 1959	August 1960	Fulbright Research Fellowship, University of Bonn

21. ARE YOU NOW, OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN, A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A., OR ANY COMMUNIST OR FASCIST ORGANIZATION? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

22. ARE YOU NOW OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A MEMBER OF ANY FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC ORGANIZATION, ASSOCIATION, MOVEMENT, GROUP, OR COMBINATION OF PERSONS WHICH IS TOTALITARIAN, FASCIST, COMMUNIST, OR SUBVERSIVE, OR WHICH HAS ADOPTED, OR SHOWS, A POLICY OF ADVOCATING OR APPROVING THE COMMISSION OF ACTS OF FORCE OR VIOLENCE TO DENY OTHER PERSONS THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, OR WHICH SEEKS TO ALTER THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES BY UNCONSTITUTIONAL MEANS? ☐ YES ☒ NO.

23. IF YOUR ANSWER TO QUESTION 21 OR 22 ABOVE IS "YES," STATE THE NAMES OF ALL SUCH ORGANIZATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, MOVEMENTS, GROUPS, OR COMBINATIONS OF PERSONS AND DATES OF MEMBERSHIP. IN ITEM 28 OR ON A SEPARATE SHEET TO BE ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THIS FORM, GIVE COMPLETE DETAILS OF YOUR ACTIVITIES THEREIN AND MAKE ANY EXPLANATION YOU DESIRE REGARDING YOUR MEMBERSHIP OR ACTIVITIES.

NAME IN FULL	ADDRESS	FROM	TO	OFFICE HELD
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24. MEMBERSHIP IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. (List all organizations in which you are now a member or have been a member, except those which show religious or political affiliations.) (If none, so state.)

NAME IN FULL	ADDRESS	TYPE	FROM	TO	OFFICE HELD
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American Philosophical Association  
University of Delaware, Newark, DE

Professional 1956 Present

Texas Society to Abolish Capital Punishment  
Austin, Texas

Professional 1960 1970 Chairman, 1960  
to 1969

Southwestern Philosophical Society

Professional 1955 Present President, 1956

(See attached sheet) 7-16 Rf4

25. RELATIVES. (Parents, spouse, divorced spouse, children, brothers, and sisters, living or dead. Name of spouse should include maiden name and any other names by previous marriage. If person is dead, state "dead" after relationship and furnish information for other columns as of time of death.)

RELATION	NAME IN FULL	YEAR OF BIRTH	ADDRESS	COUNTRY OF BIRTH	PRESENT CITIZENSHIP
Father (dead)	Paul George Silber	1881	1919 Cincinnati San Antonio, TX	Germany	U.S.
Mother	Jewell Zemary Joslin	1894	1919 Cincinnati San Antonio, TX	U.S.	U.S.
Spouse	Mary Kathryn Underwood	1927	132 Carlton Street Brookline, MA	U.S.	U.S.
Brother				U.S.	U.S.
Son	David Joslin Silber	1953	14 Morton Street New York, N.Y.	U.S.	U.S.
Daughter				U.S.	U.S.
Daughter				U.S.	U.S.

(See attached sheet)

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

July 9, 1987

(Date)

TO: FBI, LIAISON

FROM: ARTHUR B. CULVAHOUSE, JR.

SUBJECT: FBI Investigations

Subject's Name: SILBER, JOHN ROBERT (SS#: 464-28-3640)

Date of Birth 8/15/26 Place of Birth San Antonio, TX

Present Address 132 Carlton St., Brookline, MA

We request: Copy of Previous Report

                     Name Check                      Expanded Name Check

X Full Field Investigation NO IPS TO FBI

                     Limited Update

The person named above is being considered for:

                     White House Staff Position

X Presidential Appointment \*(PAS)  
Senate Confirmation

Attachments:

                     SF 86 1 2  
                     SF 87, Fingerprint Card  
                     SF 88, Supplement

2 TT's + airtel sent to:

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BA	PG
BS	SD
CI	SF
NK	WFO

Remarks/Special Instructions:

Presidential appointment

PLEASE EXPEDITE

NOTE: WE DO HAVE A COPY OF THE REPORT DATED 8/83  
AND THE EXPANDED NAME CHECK DATED 10/84

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26a. REFERENCES. (Name three persons, not relatives or employers, who are aware of your qualifications and fitness.)

NAME IN FULL	HOME ADDRESS	BUSINESS ADDRESS	YEARS KNOWN
Lt. General Victor H. Krulak	3665 Carlton St. San Diego, CA 92106	SD	11 714-225-3353

SEE ATTACHED SHEET

26b. CLOSE PERSONAL ASSOCIATES. (Name three persons, such as friends, schoolmates or colleagues, who know you well)

NAME IN FULL	HOME ADDRESS	BUSINESS ADDRESS	YEARS KNOWN
Dr. Arthur G. B. Metcalf	Myopia Hill Winchester, MA	Electronics Corp. of America 265 Winter Street Waltham, MA 02154	15 BS

(See attached sheet)

27. TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, HAVE YOU EVER BEEN THE SUBJECT OF A FULL FIELD OR BACKGROUND PERSONAL INVESTIGATION BY ANY AGENCY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT? ☒ YES ☐ NO. (If your answer is "Yes," show in item 28, (1) the name of the investigating agency (2) the approximate date of investigation, and (3) the level of security clearance granted, if known)

28. SPACE FOR CONTINUING ANSWERS TO OTHER QUESTIONS. (Show item numbers to which answers apply. Attach a separate sheet if there is not enough space here.)

1. Defense Industrial Security Clearance Office (DISCO), Columbus, Ohio CI
  2. 1981
  3. Secret, granted 3/13/81
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1. Defense Policy Board AX
  2. 1987
  3. Top Secret, granted 1/9/87

29. REPORT OF INFORMATION DEVELOPED. (This space reserved for FBI use.)

DATE:

Before signing this form check back over it to make sure you have answered all questions fully and correctly.

#### CERTIFICATION

I CERTIFY that the statements made by me on this form are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith.

False statement on this form  
is punishable by law.

2/5/87  
(DATE)

J. R. Siller  
(SIGNATURE—Sign original and first carbon copy)

#### INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED BY AGENCY

INSTRUCTIONS TO AGENCY: See Federal Personnel Manual Chapter 736 and FPM Supplement 296-31, Appendix A, for details on when this form is required and how it is used. If this is a request for investigation before appointment, insert "APPL" in the space for Date of Appointment and show information about the proposed appointment in the other spaces for appointment data. The original and the first carbon copy should be signed by the applicant or appointee. Submit the original and the unsigned carbon copy of the form, Standard Form 87 (Fingerprint Chart), and any investigative information about the person received on voucher forms or otherwise, to the United States Civil Service Commission, Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Washington, D.C., 20415. If this is a request for full field security investigation, submit these forms to the attention of the Division of Reimbursable Investigations; if this is a request for preappointment national agency checks, submit these forms to the attention of the Control Section.

RETAIN THE CARBON COPY OF STANDARD FORM 86 (SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT OR APPOINTEE) FOR YOUR FILES

DATE OF APPOINTMENT	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT <input type="checkbox"/> EXCEPTED <input type="checkbox"/> COMPETITIVE. (Include indefinite and temporary types of competitive appointments.)	CIVIL SERVICE REGULATION NUMBER OR OTHER APPOINTMENT AUTHORITY	TITLE OF POSITION AND GRADE OR SALARY
DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY	DUTY STATION	SEND RESULTS OF PREAPPOINTMENT CHECK TO:	
THIS IS A SENSITIVE POSITION			
(SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED AGENCY OFFICIAL)			



14. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM THE ARMED FORCES UNDER OTHER THAN HONORABLE CONDITIONS? ☐ YES ☐ NO.  
(If answer is "Yes," give details in item 28.)

15. EMPLOYMENT. (List ALL employment dates starting with your present employment. Give both month and year for all dates. Show ALL dates and addresses when unemployed. Give name under which employed if different from name now used.)

FROM	TO	NAME OF EMPLOYER (Firm or agency) AND SUPERVISOR (Full name, if known)	ADDRESS (Where employed)	TYPE OF WORK	REASON FOR LEAVING
January, 1971	Present	Trustees of Boston University	147 Bay State Road Boston, MA 02215	President and Trustee	

9/55	or 1/71	University of Texas at Austin, TX			
		Austin			
		--Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy,	1955-59		
		--Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy,	1959-62		
		*--Chairman, Department of Philosophy	1962-67		
		--Dean, College of Arts and Sciences,	1967-70		
		--University Professor in Arts and Letters,	1967-70		
9/49	9/55	Yale University	New Haven, CT		
		--Reader in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy,	1949-51		
		--Assistant in Instruction, Dept. of Philosophy,	1951-52		
		--Instructor, Department of Philosophy	1952-55		
1949 Summer		Census Enumerator for the Bureau of Census - Retail Bureau,			
		Austin, Texas			
1948 Summer		Enumerator for the Bureau of Census, San Antonio, TX		part time	
		Retail Business Manufacturing			
9/47	5/48	Hull Memorial Baptist Church, Cheshire, CT		Choirmaster part time	
9/50	9/52	Foxon Congregational Church, East Haven, CT		Choirmaster part time	
		*Full Professor, Department of Philosophy	1962-70		

16. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED (FIRED) FROM EMPLOYMENT FOR ANY REASON? ☒ YES ☐ NO. See Attached Sheet

17. HAVE YOU EVER RESIGNED (QUIT) AFTER BEING INFORMED THAT YOUR EMPLOYER INTENDED TO DISCHARGE (FIRE) YOU FOR ANY REASON? ☐ YES ☒ NO.  
(If your answer to 16 or 17 above is "Yes," give details in item 28. Show the name and address of employer, approximate date, and reasons in each case. This information should agree with the statements made in item 15-EMPLOYMENT.)

18. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED, TAKEN INTO CUSTODY, HELD FOR INVESTIGATION OR QUESTIONING, OR CHARGED BY ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY? (You may omit: (1) Traffic violations for which you paid a fine of \$30 or less; and (2) anything that happened before your 16th birthday. All other incidents must be included, even though they were dismissed or you merely forfeited collateral.) ☐ YES ☒ NO.

IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES," GIVE FULL DETAILS BELOW:

DATE	CHARGE	PLACE	LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY	ACTION TAKEN
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<u>Country</u>	<u>Date left USA</u>	<u>Date returned USA</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
England, Italy, France, Denmark	July 1983	September 1984	Guggenheim Fellowship, Kings College, sight- seeing.
Germany	July 1965  Annual visits since 1971	September 1965	To inspect Overseas Graduate Programs of Boston University and attend June Commencements
Canada	Sept 27, 1972	Sept 30, 1972	Canadian-U.S. Educators Conference, Institute of International Education
Germany	April 4, 1974	April 10, 1974	To Mainz to attend the International Kant Conference
Canada	Dec 8, 1974	Dec 9, 1974	Montreal. Eastern Association of College and University Business Officers annual meeting.
Germany	Feb 10, 1975	Feb 13, 1975	Hamburg. Boston Univer- sity Institute of Music Theatre dedication.
Belgium	Sept 17, 1975	Sept 26, 1975	Brussels. Boston University Commencement
Greece	Aug 6, 1976	Aug 14, 1976	Athens. Boston Univer- sity Summer Classics Program
Netherlands	Jan 14, 1978	Jan 27, 1978	Conference on Higher Education
Bermuda	May 25, 1978	May 27, 1978	Massachusetts Bankers Association, Senior Management Seminar
Switzerland	Nov 9, 1978	Nov 18, 1978	Geneva. European Council of International Schools
Switzerland	April 29, 1980	May 6, 1980	Biel. Kant Colloquium
Belgium	Feb 6, 1981	Feb 12, 1981	Brussels. Boston Univer- sity Commencement
Germany	Apr 3, 1981	Apr 12, 1981	Mainz. International Kant Congress

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<u>Country</u>	<u>Date left USA</u>	<u>Date returned USA</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Portugal Traveled in Spain and Switzerland after conference was over.	Apr 25, 1981	May 5, 1981	Third International Conference on the Future of the University.
Germany	Sept 1, 1981	Sept 7, 1981	Bad Godesberg. Confer- ence under auspices of Konrad Adenauer Foundation
Germany, Switz- erland, Italy, France, Greece, and Israel	May 30, 1982	June 28, 1982	Boston University Commencement and travel with family
Japan, Korea and Hong Kong	Sept 24, 1982	Oct 8, 1982	To receive an Honorary degree and attend University development meetings
Mexico, Venezuela	Dec 12, 1983	Dec 15, 1983	To meet with political, economic and social figures in both countries
England, Germany and Spain	May 19, 1984	June 24, 1984	Boston Overseas Commencement, recruit- ing, discussing University programs
Dominican Republic	Sept 5, 1984	Sept 9, 1984	To address seminar, "Strategic Challenges in Regional Security"
Costa Rica	Feb 17, 1985	Sept 9, 1984	To participate in the "LAC Education and Training Officers' Conference"
Thailand, Germany	Mar 6, 1985	Mar 24, 1985	University development
Germany, England	May 25, 1985	June 18, 1985	Boston University Over- seas Commencement
Germany	Sept, 26, 1985	Sept 29, 1985	To deliver eulogy of Axel Springer
Germany	Feb 5, 1986	Feb 9, 1986	To speak at the 600th anniversary of the University of Heidleberg
Germany, Italy, Belgium, Great Britain	June 1, 1986	June 20, 1986	Boston University Over- seas Commencement and travel with family

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<u>Country</u>	<u>Date left USA</u>	<u>Date returned USA</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
England, Germany, Spain	May 19, 1984	June 24, 1984	Boston Overseas Commencement, recruiting, discussing University programs.
Dominican Republic	Sept 5, 1984	Sept 9, 1984	To address seminar, "Strategic Challenges in Regional Security"
Costa Rica	Feb 17, 1985	Feb 19, 1985	To participate in the "LAC Education and Training Officers' Conference"
Thailand, Germany	Mar 6, 1985	March 24, 1985	University development
Germany, England	May 25, 1985	June 8, 1985	To attend Boston University Overseas Commencement
Germany	Sept 26, 1985	Sept 29, 1985	To deliver eulogy of Axel Springer
Germany	Feb 5, 1986	Feb 9, 1986	To speak at the 600th anniversary of the University of Heidleberg of the al
Germany, Italy, Belgium, Great Britain	June 1, 1986	June 20, 1986	Attend Boston University Overseas Commencement and travel with family

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Date: July 9, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR: 

FROM: 

SUBJECT: SILBER, JOHN ROBERT

RE #25

For additional information, please see attached  
memorandum dated Augst 2, 1983.

RE #26:

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SUPPLEMENT TO SF-86  
(Attach additional pages if necessary)

1. Please furnish the names and addresses of all corporations, firms or other business enterprises, partnerships, nonprofit organizations, and educational or other institutions with which you are presently associated or have been associated during the past five years either as officer, director, trustee, sole owner, partner or stockholder with controlling interest.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Have you ever been a candidate for Federal, state or local elected office, or a treasurer or other officer of a political committee? Were there any complaints lodged with the Federal Election Commission or state or local election authorities against you or your political committee? If so, please explain.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Do you maintain any residence other than your permanent residence; e.g., vacation home? If so, please furnish address.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Have you ever been disciplined or cited for a breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by, or been the subject of a complaint to, any court, administrative agency, professional association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group? If so, please give full details.

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5. To your knowledge have your activities or those of any of your business enterprises, or associates in those enterprises, ever been the subject of criminal investigation, or a civil enforcement investigation or proceeding? If so, please give full details.

6. Have you ever been a party in any civil court action? If so, please give full details.

I understand that the information being provided on this supplement to the SF-86 is to be considered part of the original SF-86 dated 2/5/87 and a false statement on this form is punishable by law.

Signed

John R. Sullivan

#1: Trustee, Boston University , 147 Bay State Rd. Boston, MA  
Trustee, University of Denver, Denver Colorado  
Trustee, College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, Minnesota  
Trustee, WGBH Educational Foundation, Cambridge, MA  
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Arlington, VA  
Advisory Board, Jacob Gould Shurman Library of American  
History, Pruprecht-Karl University. Heidleberg, FRG

#2. No

#3 High Haith Road, Center Harbor, New Hampshire

#4 No

#5 No

#6 Only in my capacity as President of Boston University.  
(Faculty member may sue University for denial of tenure.)



# Battle Between Regents and Faculty Rocks University of Texas

By ROBERT REINHOLD

Special to The New York Times

AUSTIN, Tex., Aug. 15—The University of Texas is struggling to regain its footing in the aftermath of an internal battle marked by a bitterness that has shocked even seasoned campus observers.

The battle has seen the almost complete turnover (to some, a political purge carried out by conservative regents) of the school's top administrators, the splitting up of the College of Arts and Sciences, the abrupt dismissal of its nationally respected dean and threats of resignation by many top professors.

"I've never seen such low, hard-knuckled old Boston ward politics as here," said one senior professor. "This is the worst I've seen in the academic world." Another said, "There's terror in the air."

For two weeks, the Texas campus has reverberated with charges of political interference by the regents, who are political appointees.

## Other Clashes

The situation reflects growing difficulties on the campuses of public universities in many states, including California and Colorado, where politically appointed or elected regents have clashed with the faculty and staff over educational and administrative policy.

The Texas story has all the elements of a Greek tragedy, with a cast of characters moving inexorably toward their predetermined fates. But many fear that it will leave the university in the backwash of education where it four itself in 1944, when its president, Homer P. Rainey, was dismissed by conservative regents in a similar struggle.



United Press International

Frank C. Erwin Jr., chairman of board of regents of the University of Texas.



Dr. John R. Silber was dismissed as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The chief antagonists are Dr. John R. Silber, the charismatic and ambitious dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Frank C. Erwin Jr., chairman of the board of regents and a political friend of former President Lyndon B. Johnson and former Gov. John B. Connally Jr. of Texas.

Dr. Silber, 44 years old today, is a Yale-educated, Texas-born philosopher respected as an expert on Kant, the 18th-century German metaphysical philosopher. Dr. Silber has been given much of the credit for raising Texas to the first rank academically in many areas over the last three years. Until a year ago, he worked well with Mr. Erwin, who is 50.

Just why Dr. Silber should have become a target is not clear. He is no radical, and has vacillated from dovish to hawkish stands on the Vietnam war. "Silber talks liberal to liberals and conservative to conservatives," one observer said.

Mr. Erwin has been accused of trying to run the school politically. But even many of his enemies concede that he has worked hard to increase appropriations for the university and to raise its stature in his seven years as a regent.

Three weeks ago, on July 24, Dr. Silber was summarily dismissed as dean by Dr. Charles A. LeMaistre, Mr. Erwin's private physician, who was recently appointed chancellor-elect of the 10-campus system. Dr. Silber had earlier refused to resign at the request of Dr. Bryce Jordan, interim president of the Austin campus.

## Showing His Colors

No reason was given. Dr. Jordan said only that "the interests of the University of Texas at Austin required it." It is widely assumed here that the man behind the dismissal was Mr. Erwin, a man who loves the university so much that he drives around in a Cadillac painted orange and white—the school colors.

A week later, the regents voted, without faculty approval, to split the 15,000-student College of Arts and Sciences into three separate schools, abolishing Dr. Silber's job. The move was vigorously opposed by Dr. Silber.

According to Dr. Jordan, the split was made because the college had become too big and there was a need to "increasingly personalize the undergraduate experience." Others say it was a maneuver to dislodge Dr. Silber.

The events are the latest in a series of changes this year that have included the premature retirement of Chancellor Harry Ransom, who had some time ago relinquished duties to Dr. LeMaistre, and the departure of Dr. Norman Hackerman, the president of Austin, who was to head Rice University in Houston. Both changes are generally attributed to pressure from Mr. Erwin.

But Dr. Silber's dismissal has prompted the greatest unhappiness and the reasons remain obscure. In an interview, Dr. Jordan said, "I don't want to comment on the dean's dismissal other than to say it was an administrative decision."

Repeated calls to Mr. Erwin's law office here were unsuccessful in locating him for comment. Dr. Silber, reached by telephone on vacation in Vermont, said he had been given no reason for his dismissal.

## Attributed to Success

According to friends of Dr. Silber's, his dismissal was rooted in his success as an administrator and fund-raiser. "This is a man who overshadows everyone on the Austin campus," said one friend of the dean. "He is threatening to every other dean, the chancellor and even Frank Erwin, who likes to keep people under his control."

Another source, who asked not to be named, maintained that Mr. Erwin was "a man who aspires to take over the state" and was using the university as a political base.

This source described the rapidly expanding university system as the second largest industry in the state after oil, and said that millions of dollars worth of patronage and contracts were at stake. Dr. Silber was known to be a leading candidate for the presidency of the Austin campus.

But some faculty sources contended that the idea that Mr. Erwin and Dr. Silber were locked in a power struggle was a distortion. One professor portrayed Dr. Silber as an arrogant, vindictive man with as much ambition as Mr. Erwin, and who has used his position as dean to "buy" support for his own policy.

professor said, "It is generally regarded that he made out salaries accordingly. Some of the highest salaries were received by his supporters."

According to one source, the last straw was an incident with a new department chairman who was promised substantial support by Dr. Silber. But this support, the source said, was made contingent on the new chairman's support for Dr. Silber in his battle with the regents over the proposal to split the college. Reportedly, the chairman complained to the top administration, and Dr. Silber was dismissed the next day.

Dr. Silber says the charges about salary favoritism are "absolutely false." As for the alleged pressuring of the new chairman, Dr. Silber said he had told the man only that he could not promise the support if the dean's job was abolished.

Whatever the real reason for Dr. Silber's dismissal, many fear the chief casualty will be the university. A number of professors have already said

that they would be looking for new jobs soon, although Dr. Silber has urged them to remain. He himself will stay on, at least for a year, as a philosophy professor.

Dr. William Arrowsmith, a classicist and educational critic, has said that "many of us are now doubtful that the University of Texas is a desirable place to teach."

"The atmosphere of corrupt arrogance and raw, vulgar exercise of power, which now characterizes the administration of the university, makes it

virtually certain that nothing The Daily Texan, the student of educational importance can newspaper, has decried what it any, longer happen here," he called "cutthroat methods" by is reported to have told Dr. the regents and has rallied behind Dr. Silber.

Mr. Erwin's advice to any one threatening to resign was plans to resign as chairman of to "quit playing games in the regents at the end of the newspapers and submit his year. Last year, the general resignation"—a statement that has faculty voted, 242 to 197, to annoyed many of his allies on call for his resignation, although only about one-third of the faculty.

While most of the 35,000 or so students are away from the January, students also called campus, student reaction to for his ouster in a referendum. the dean's dismissal has generally been one of outrage. But only about 20 per cent of the students voted.



## EDUCATION

### The Emperor of U.T.

Frank C. Erwin Jr. is the biggest booster the University of Texas has. His Cadillac is orange and white—the school colors—and he doles on the national-champion Longhorn football team. He is a tireless money raiser and wants nothing less than to make the U.T. system the best in the country. He has no patience with anyone or anything he considers damaging to his beloved alma mater—and since Erwin is chairman of the university's board of regents, his antagonists are automatically on red alert.

Erwin cannot, for instance, abide student dissent, even the relatively bland variety found in the American Southwest. He is convinced that the survival

Regent Erwin, who was appointed to the board by Governor John Connally in 1963, is a rich, 50-year-old Austin lawyer, a longtime crony of Lyndon Johnson's, and a former Democratic National Committeeman. He is now emperor of the University of Texas. His idea of a great university is one where teachers teach, students study and regents govern at his direction. His strict construction of those views has kept him at constant odds with students and faculty.

Two years ago, Erwin threw a birthday party for Governor Connally in the U.T. gym. When antiwar students outside protested the presence of Lyndon Johnson, Erwin called them "a bunch of dirty nothin's." Last fall Erwin personally directed bulldozers in a

need do is quit playing games in the newspapers and submit his resignation."

Gaudy Caddy. Erwin is hardly a knee-jerk reactionary. Like many a Texas Democrat, he is coldly-conservative on some issues, warmly liberal on others. When it comes to education, he is all populist, believing that every Texas youngster deserves a shot at college. He is probably the best education lobbyist in the state's history: U.T. appropriations have risen 175% in the past four years. Lieutenant Governor Ben Barnes keeps an aquarium in his office and calls its most aggressive angelfish "Frank." But many friends see danger in Erwin's hyperenergetic loyalty to U.T. Some, for instance, refuse to get into his gaudy Caddy until he starts the engine. "They think some of those damned militants might plant a bomb on me," he says. Then he adds, with characteristic candor: "I can't blame them for thinking that way."

In fact, there is apprehension that U.T. is headed for a crisis or a decline or both. Erwin has called for "administrators with more courage and backbone than has been demonstrated in the past two or three years." Interim president, Bryce Jordan, is a musicologist (specialty: the piccolo) and a hard-liner on campus disorder. His new chancellor is Dr. Charles LeMaistre, a medical doctor who treated Erwin's wife through a terminal bout with cancer. Many faculty members agree with Classics Professor William Arrowsmith, who feels that those who now control U.T. are "interested only in mediocrities and non-entities who can be counted on to carry out the wishes of Chairman Erwin."

That may be unfair. The chairman, who spends more than 40 hours per week toiling for U.T., obviously feels that his wishes coincide with the university's needs. Even so, he is smarting from widespread dissatisfaction with the Silber firing. Some critics pointed out that as one consequence of the Silber affair, U.T. bypassed a \$200,000 Ford Foundation grant for experimentation in teaching techniques—a grant that was to be based in part on Silber's distinguished record. Key politicians have been silent about the firings—so far. It is too early to predict whether the American Association of University Professors will censure U.T. That happened in 1946, and few Texans welcome the prospect of reliving the bad old days.

### A Jovial Insipid Subject

One of the pressures of entering fourth grade is an accelerated vocabulary. Most children find—and happily master—scores of big, new words in their textbooks. But for many inner-city children, whose parents do not use such words, the encounter can be agony. Unable to cope with their books, the kids often give up and quit learning.

In St. Louis last year, School Superintendent William Kottmeyer devised a new method for making new words alluring to 24,000 children, 68% of whom



JOHN SILBER

FRANK ERWIN JR.

*Even the blondest brand of dissent won't do.*

of public universities is at stake, a feeling that many other citizens share. In the past four months, he has engineered the abrupt departures of six administrators, including Chancellor Harry Ransom and President (Austin campus) Norman Hackerman—both of whom, it is thought, were too soft on student militancy to suit Erwin. The latest casualty: Dr. John R. Silber, 43, one of the country's leading philosophers, who was fired as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, though he still retains his professorship. Dean Silber was ousted primarily because he opposed the administration's plan to split his college into smaller schools. He was also a target because of his liberalism, aggressiveness and potential candidacy for the U.T. presidency. According to one professor, Erwin told Silber: "John, you are the most intelligent, articulate and persistent man around. You scare the hell out of the incompetents above you."

confrontation with students over the uprooting of some stately oak and cypress trees to make way for expansion of the football stadium. He then pushed through a rule forbidding administrators to negotiate with disruptive students. Last January a straw poll of the 32,000 students at U.T.'s main campus in Austin showed 80% favoring Erwin's impeachment on the ground that he had "unwarrantedly interfered" with school operations. In the aftermath of Cambodia and Kent State, he refused to close down the Austin campus: "I'm unwilling to pay taxes to support an institution that just turns things over to these activist faculty members and students," says Erwin. "Students have no inherent rights to attend a college or university, just regardless of what they do." When some professors threatened to resign over Silber's dismissal, Erwin responded: "If any person employed by the university wishes to resign, all he

AUTHORITY TO RELEASE INFORMATION

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John R. Silber  
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Thank you.

Name (please print) John Robert Silber

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Date 2/5/87



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Boston, MA

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GENERAL INDICES CONDUCTED BY SE [redacted] CONFIDENTIAL AND  
ELSUR INDICES CONDUCTED BY SE [redacted] ARE NEGATIVE  
REGARDING APPOINTEE JOHN ROBERT SILBER AND CLOSE RELATIVES.

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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN, BUDED: PAST

RE BOSTON TELETYPE TO BUREAU, JULY 17, 1987.

ASSOCIATES:

ON JULY 28, 1987, EDMUND NORTH, 212 NORTH CARMELINA AVENUE,

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED SPECIAL AGENT (SA) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT HE HAS NOT SERVED ON THE BOARD OF NATIONAL CAPTIONING

INSTITUTE (NCI) SINCE NOVEMBER 1986, BUT HE IS ACQUAINTED WITH

SILBER, AS PRESIDENT OF THE BOSTON UNIVERSITY, HOLDS A VERY

PRESTIGIOUS POST AND IS A RESPECTED EDUCATOR, AND HE HAS MET HIM

DURING THE FOUR MEETINGS THE NCI HOLDS. HE WAS NOT AWARE OF

ANYTHING AN UNFAVORABLE NATURE REGARDING THE APPOINTEE AND HE IS

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CERTAIN HE KNEW OF NO REASON NOT TO RECOMMEND SILBER FOR ANY PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT. HE HAS SERVED HONORABLY WITH NCI AND WOULD BE IDEAL IN ANY SIMILAR APPOINTMENT.

ON JULY 30, 1987, [REDACTED] 1800 CENTURY PARK EAST, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED SA [REDACTED] THAT HE HAS ONLY A PASSING ACQUAINTANCE WITH APPOINTEE SINCE HE [REDACTED] HAS NOT BEEN ACTIVE IN NCI FOR SEVERAL YEARS. HE IS ACQUAINTED WITH SILBER ONLY THROUGH THE BOARD MEETINGS AND HE WAS NOT AWARE OF ANYTHING OF AN UNFAVORABLE NATURE REGARDING THE APPOINTEE. [REDACTED] SAID HE DID NOT KNOW APPOINTEE'S BACKGROUND, BUT IF HE HOLDS OTHER APPOINTMENTS AND PASSED THE BACKGROUND CHECKS, HE MUST QUALIFY FOR ANY ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS. [REDACTED] SAID HE HAS THE HIGHEST RESPECT FOR EVERY MEMBER ON THE BOARD OF NCI WHO ARE ALL OUTSTANDING CITIZENS AND HE WOULD RECOMMEND SILBER FOR A PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT.

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ON AUGUST 10, 1987, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA, ADVISED SA [REDACTED] THAT SHE WAS ACQUAINTED WITH SILBER, BUT ONLY THROUGH THE BOARD MEETINGS AT NCI WHICH ONLY MEETS QUARTERLY. SHE DESCRIBED THE APPOINTEE AS AN HONORABLE PERSON AND A DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN WHICH IS



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APPLICABLE TO EVERYONE ON THE BOARD. SHE STATED THAT EVERY MEMBER HAS SERVED HONORABLY AND SHE WOULD FAVOR REAPPOINTMENT OR APPOINTMENT TO ANOTHER POSITION FOR EACH AND EVERY MEMBER OF THE BOARD. [ ] STATED THAT SHE WAS NOT WELL ACQUAINTED WITH THE BACKGROUND AND PROFESSION OF EVERY BOARD MEMBER, BUT IF THEY ALL PASSED A BACKGROUND CHECK, THEY MUST MEET THE CRITERIA AND ARE ALL COMPETENT AND RELIABLE CITIZENS.

[ ] STATED THAT SHE WAS NOT AWARE OF ANYTHING OF A DEROGATORY NATURE REGARDING THE APPOINTEE AND WOULD RECOMMEND HIM FOR A NEW PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT OR REAPPOINTMENT TO THE NCI BOARD. b6 b7C

ADMINISTRATIVE:

ALL INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED WERE APPRISED OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVACY ACT AND THOSE REQUESTING CONFIDENTIALITY HAVE BEEN SO NOTED.

RESULTS OF INTERVIEWS HAVE BEEN DELAYED AS MS. [ ] HAS BEEN OUT OF TOWN FOR THE PAST TWO WEEKS AND ONLY RETURNED THIS WEEKEND.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU	DATE 7/15/87	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7/15/87
TITLE OF CASE JOHN ROBERT SILBER		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY dlh
		CHARACTER OF CASE SPIN BUDED: 7/24/87	

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REFERENCE: BUREAU 7/10/87 teletype to all FBI offices.

ADMINISTRATIVE: On 7/13/87, San Francisco General Indices were reviewed for any reference to the Appointee, members of his immediate family including wards, and for Appointee's reference, GEORGE HART, with no known identifiable references located of a derogatory nature. This search was conducted by Rotor clerk, [REDACTED]. On 7/14/87, San Francisco Elsur Files were reviewed by Elsur Clerk, [REDACTED] and on 7/15/87, San Francisco Confidential Files, by Clerk, [REDACTED] for any reference to the Appointee and his immediate family, including wards, and for the Appointee's reference, GEORGE HART, with no identifiable references located.

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Appointee's, reference, GEORGE DAVID HART, was advised of the provisions of the Privacy Act (e) (3) and Mr. HART advised he wished no confidentiality.

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Office: San Francisco

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER

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Synopsis:

Appointee's reference interviewed and recommended appointee highly.

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## DETAILS:

REFERENCEThe following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

On 7/15/87, GEORGE DAVID HART, retired, 59 Glenwood Avenue, Ross, California, advised that he has known Appointee for approximately ten years. He stated that he met Appointee when he, HART, was appointed as a trustee for Boston University and Appointee was the President of that university. He added Appointee is still president of the university and he is still a trustee.

He stated that Appointee is arriving at his residence in Ross, California, tomorrow, 7/16/87, from whence they will proceed to the Bohemian Grove, where Appointee will be his guest. He stated that he had also had Appointee as his guest there three or four years ago.

He considered Appointee to be a very bright individual and person of excellent character. He stated there was no question of Appointee's loyalty to the United States and he considered him to be a patriotic American.

He stated that he has been to numerous

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social functions with the Appointee and Appointee has never abused the use of alcohol and never to his knowledge ever used drugs of abuse.

He further stated that all of Applicant's associates that he has met are also persons of outstanding character.

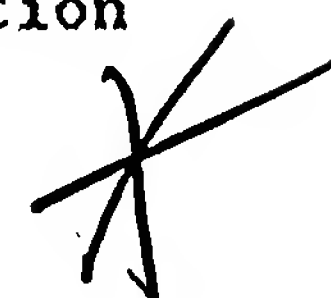
He said that Applicant has never displayed or exhibited any biases of a racial, ethnic or religious nature. He added that Appointee is a Texas democrat but has never shown any biases of which he is aware. He further added that he was not sure of Appointee's religious affiliation but he was sure that he was not Catholic and he, HART, had been invited to the wedding of Appointee's daughter this month at the church in Boston College, which is a Catholic college and he assumed that Appointee's daughter is marrying a Catholic. HART believed that this latter event spoke towards Appointee's lack of biases.

He stated that Appointee has always been financially responsible insofar as he knows and is financially sound.

He further stated that he knew of nothing of an adverse or compromising nature concerning Appointee. He believed him to be a discreet individual who could be trusted with sensitive of classified information.

HART advised that he was aware that Appointee travelled widely in his position as president of the university and has made several trips to Frankfurt, Germany in connection with a contract the university has with the Air Force wherein the university faculty teaches Air Force personnel and award a Masters in Business Administration.

HART stated that whatever "job" Appointee gets he will serve the country well. He said that Appointee is a "square-shooter". He said that he doesn't always agree with the President (of the United States) and is not a "yes" man. He stated that Appointee is known for his forthright statements and strong positions on matters. He stated that for the above reasons the Appointee is a good man for the country in that he's not a "yes" man. He added that Appointee is loyal and would maintain any confidences. He said that Appointee is as good a man as you can get for a government position. He concluded that as a citizen he would be glad to have Appointee in a position with the U.S. government and he would highly recommend Appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the U. S. government.





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Date 7/15/87

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI  
 ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035

FROM : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (161A-1229-553) RUC

SUBJECT: JOHN ROBERT SILBER  
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On 7/13/87, the Albuquerque General, Confidential and ELSUR Indices were checked for appointee, his employer, and members of appointee's family by the following support personnel.

[REDACTED] General Indices;  
 Confidential/ELSUR Indices.

The following references were noted and reviewed by Investigative Assistant [REDACTED]

One reference to appointee, AQ 161-900, which information is known to the Bureau.

No report is being submitted or further investigation being conducted.

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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN; BUDED: JULY 24, 1987

REBUTEL TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES DATED JULY 10, 1987.

A REVIEW OF PG INDICES AND ELSUR FILES FAILED TO LOCATE ANY INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH THE APPOINTEE OR ANY MEMBERS OF HIS IMMEDIATE FAMILY.

INDICES CHECKS WERE CONDUCTED BY [REDACTED] AND ELSUR CHECKS WERE CONDUCTED BY [REDACTED]

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987

REBUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, JULY 10, 1987.

LITTLE ROCK GENERAL INDICES (SCA [REDACTED])

(JULY 11, 1987), CONFIDENTIAL INDICES (FA [REDACTED])

(JULY 13, 1987), AND ELSUR INDICES (FS [REDACTED])

(JULY 13, 1987) ALL NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE, CLOSE FAMILY,  
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ATTN; [REDACTED] SPIN ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A)

REBUTEL TO ALL OFFICES 7/11/87.

COLUMBIA GENERAL INDICES [REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL

INDICES [REDACTED], AND ELSUR INDICES [REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE RE

CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS AND BUSINESS ENTITY ON 7/13

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM LB035.

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: 7/24/87.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES 7/10/87, RECEIVED BY SAVANNAH, 7/11/87.

SAVANNAH GENERAL INDICES SUPPLY TECHNICIAN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL INDICES FILE ASSISTANT [REDACTED]

AND ELSUR INDICES FILE ASSISTANT [REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE

REGARDING: CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS AND BUSINESS

ENTITY, ON 7/13/87. EXCEPT FOR PREVIOUS ALL OFFICE INDICES CHECK [REDACTED] 161-17465-17

CONDUCTED IN AUGUST 1983, NO REFERENCES WERE FOUND TO BE

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN(A); JULY 24, 1987; OO: BUREAU

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI OFFICES DATED JULY 10, 1987.

SEATTLE GENERAL INDICES REFLECTS A PREVIOUS SPECIAL INQUIRY FOR THE APPOINTEE IN AUGUST OF 1983. SEATTLE FURNISHED A NEGATIVE RESPONSE VIA TELETYPE TO BUREAU DATED AUGUST 10, 1983.

SEATTLE GENERAL INDICES NEGATIVE REGARDING APPOINTEE'S RELATIVES.

SEATTLE CONFIDENTIAL AND ELSUR INDICES CHECKS ARE NEGATIVE REGARDING APPOINTEE AND RELATIVES.

SEATTLE GENERAL AND CONFIDENTIAL INDICES CHECK WAS CONDUCTED BY [REDACTED] ON JULY 14, 1987, SEATTLE ELSUR INDICES CHECK

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 18035.

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPICIAL INQUIRY; BUDED: 7/24/87

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES JULY 10, 1987.

ATLANTA DIVISION GENERAL INDICES [REDACTED]

CONFIDENTIAL INDICIES [REDACTED] AND ELSUR INDICES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE RE CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY,  
COHABITANTS AND BUSINESS ENTITY, ON JULY 11, 1987.

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI PRIORITY

ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN(A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987

REBUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, DATED JULY 10, 1987.

SAN DIEGO GENERAL INDICES BY [REDACTED] ON JULY 14, 1987;

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BY [REDACTED] ON JULY 14, 1987, ALL NEGATIVE REGARDING

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ON JULY 13, 1987, THE ELSUR INDICES OF THE RICHMOND DIVISION, AS  
CHECKED BY MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS EXAMINER [REDACTED] THE  
INFORMANT INDICES, AS CHECKED BY CLERK [REDACTED] AND THE  
GENERAL INDICES, AS CHECKED BY CLERK [REDACTED] WERE NEGATIVE  
AS TO APPOINTEE AND ALL CLOSE RELATIVES.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED JULY 24, 1987.  
REBUTEL, JULY 10, 1987.

ON JULY 11 AND 14, 1987, BUTTE GENERAL INDICES AND  
ELSUR/CONFIDENTIAL INDICES WERE REVIEWED BY [redacted] AND [redacted]  
[redacted] NO PERTINENT INFORMATION LOCATED IDENTIFIABLE WITH  
APPOINTEE'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY OR BUSINESS ENTITY. GENERAL INDICES  
DISCLOSED PREVIOUS INDICES CHECK CONDUCTED AUGUST 12, 1983, RE  
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ATTENTION [REDACTED] SPIN ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES DATED JULY 10, 1987.

CHARLOTTE GENERAL INDICES [REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL

AND ELSUR INDICES [REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE REGARDING

CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS, AND BUSINESS ENTITY ON

JULY 11 AND 13, 1987, EXCEPT A PREVIOUS SPECIAL INQUIRY

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED ON APPOINTEE IN AUGUST 10, 1983.

REVIEW OF CHARLOTTE FILE 161-0 (SERIAL 220) FAILED TO DISCLOSE

ANY DEROGATORY OR PERTINENT INFORMATION REGARDING APPOINTEE

AND CLOSE RELATIVES.

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SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: JULY 24, 1997.

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, DATED JULY 10, 1987.

DENVER DIVISION GENERAL INDICES [REDACTED] REVEALS A

161-RC CASE OPENED IN AUGUST, 1983 ON APPOINTEE, WITH NO DEROGATORY

REMARKS NOTED. CONFIDENTIAL INDICES [REDACTED] AND

ELSUR INDICES [REDACTED] BOTH NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE,

CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS AND BUSINESS ENTITY, ON JULY 15, 1987.

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDEDJULY 24, 1987

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES JULY 15, 1987.

LAS VEGAS GENERAL INDICES, INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANT

[REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL INDICES [REDACTED] AND

ELSUR INDICES, [REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE REGARDING

CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS, AND BUSINESS ENTITY,

ON JULY 15, 1987.

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FM TAMPA (161A-R-135) (RUC)

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ATTENTION [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035.

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO AFD, JULY 11, 1987.

REVIEW OF THE TAMPA GENERAL INDICES BY [REDACTED]

APPLICANT CLERK, ELSUR INDICES BY [REDACTED]

ELSUR FILE ASSISTANT, ON JULY 14, 1987, AND THE CONFIDENTIAL

INDICES BY [REDACTED] INFORMANT CLERK, ALL NEGATIVE

REGARDING THE CANDIDATE, HIS CLOSE RELATIVES, COHABITANTS

AND BUSINESS ENTITY WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A SPIN INVESTIGATION

IN AUGUST 1983 ON THE CANDIDATE, AT WHICH TIME THE GENERAL

AND ELSUR INDICES WERE NEGATIVE.

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FM BOSTON (161A-6213) (P)

TO DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: 7/24/87

RE BU TEL TO NY AND BS ET AL, 7/10/87.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF SAN ANTONIO, BUREAU HAS REQUESTED  
EXPEDITE UPDATE INVESTIGATION OF SIEBER FOR AN UNSPECIFIED  
PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT, WHICH REQUIRES SENATE CONFIRMATION.

BOSTON INTERVIEW OF APPOINTEE HAS PROVIDED OTHER REFERENCES  
LISTED AS [REDACTED] AN ASSOCIATE WITH THE TEXAS OBSERVER IN  
AUSTIN, TEXAS AND [REDACTED] WHO CAN BE CONTACTED IN THE NEW  
YORK DIVISION AT [REDACTED]

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REFERENCES LISTED IN THEIR RESPECTIVE DIVISIONS AND SUBMIT RESULTS  
TO FBIHQ, ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035 TO  
MEET BUDED OF JULY 24, 1987.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT BOSTON.

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NEW YORK AT NEW YORK, CONTACT AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

CONCERNING APPOINTEE AT (212)661-3344 AND SUBMIT RESULTS TO MEET  
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SAN ANTONIO AT AUSTIN, TEXAS, CONTACT AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TEXAS OBSERVER, AUSTIN, TEXAS, CONCERNING APPOINTEE AND  
SUBMIT RESULTS TO FBIHQ TO MEET BUDED.

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR PRIORITY

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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 5136

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987

REBUTEL TO ALL OFFICES JULY 10, 1987.

MEMPHIS GENERAL INDICES BY [REDACTED] JULY 13,

1987; CONFIDENTIAL INDICES BY [REDACTED] JULY 13, 1987; AND

ELSUR INDICES BY [REDACTED] JULY 13, 1987; ALL NEGATIVE RE

APPOINTEE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS, AND BUSINESS ENTITY, WITH

EXCEPTION OF REFERENCE TO APPOINTEE'S PREVIOUS SPIN

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035.

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES DATED  
JULY 10, 1987.

NEW ORLEANS DIVISION GENERAL INDICES [REDACTED]  
CONFIDENTIAL INDICES [REDACTED], AND ELSUR INDICES

[REDACTED] SEARCHED ON JULY 13 AND 14, 1987, AND  
REVIEWED BY IA [REDACTED] ON JULY 15, 1987, WITH NEGATIVE  
RESULTS FOR CANDIDATE AND CLOSE FAMILY WITH THE FOLLOWING  
EXCEPTION:

NEW ORLEANS DIVISION CONDUCTED NEGATIVE INDICES AND ELSUR  
RECORD CHECKS IN AUGUST, 1983, FOR SILBER AND CLOSE RELATIVES, AS

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SILBER, SPIN, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983.

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FM SAN ANTONIO (161A-1202-975) (RUC)

TO DIRECTOR (ROUTINE)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A)

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THE FOLLOWING SAN ANTONIO CHECKS FAILED TO REVEAL ANY  
IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING APPOINTEE AND ALL FAMILY  
MEMBERS AND RELATIVES:

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[REDACTED] JULY 14, 1987.

ELSUR, SEARCHED BY ELSUR ASSISTANT [REDACTED]

JULY 14,

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INFORMANT, SEARCHED BY CONFIDENTIAL CLERK [REDACTED]

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FM MOBILE (161A-1-198) (RUC)

TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY

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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035.

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

REBUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, JULY 10, 1987.

MOBILE GENERAL INDICES (SCA [REDACTED]), CONFIDENTIAL

INDICES (FA [REDACTED]), ELSUR INDICES (FA [REDACTED]),

AND "OPFOPEN" COMPUTER LIST (FO [REDACTED]) ALL NEGATIVE

RE APPOINTEE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS AND BUSINESS ENTITY, ON

JULY 14, 1987, EXCEPT AS SET FORTH: MOBILE GENERAL INDICES REVEAL

PREVIOUS 1983 SPIN MATTER RE APPOINTEE. MOBILE INVESTIGATION

LIMITED TO INDICES CHECKS WHICH WERE NEGATIVE.

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TITLE OF CASE JOHN ROBERT SILBER		REPORT MADE BY IA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY: blw
		CHARACTER OF CASE SPIN (A)	

REFERENCE:

Acting Director teletype to Alexandria dated 7/11/87.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Where appropriate, Privacy Act (e)(3) data was furnished to persons interviewed. Express promises of confidentiality, both limited and unlimited, have been noted where granted.

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Cincinnati Office General Indices, Elsur Index, and Confidential Indices negative regarding appointee.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Copy to:

Report of: IA [REDACTED]  
Date: JULY 17, 1987

Office: CINCINNATI

Field Office File #: 161A-R-809

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Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)

Synopsis: DISCO records, Columbus, Ohio, reflect appointee has a terminated Secret clearance.

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DETAILS:

On July 14, 1987, Mr. [REDACTED] Security Clerk, Status and Inquiry Branch, Defense Industrial Security Clearance Office, (DISCO), Columbus, Ohio, was personally contacted and he advised he located the following security clearance in their files identifiable with the appointee, JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SSAN 464-28-3640:

Secret clearance dated March 18, 1981, based on a National Agency Check by the Defense Investigative Service dated March 9, 1981. This clearance is terminated August 16, 1985 and the employing agency was: ELECTRIC CORPORATION OF AMERICA, 265 Winter Street, Waltham, Massachusetts 02154.

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR ROUTINE

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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035.

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, DATED JULY 10, 1987.

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION GENERAL INDICES [REDACTED]

CONFIDENTIAL INDICES [REDACTED] AND ELSUR INDICES

[REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE, CLOSE RELATIVES,

AND WARDS OF APPOINTEE, ON JULY 10 AND 14, 1987.

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FM SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (161-1615-110) (RUC)

TO ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI PRIORITY

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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 18035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, JULY 10, 1987.

INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION GENERAL INDICES, [REDACTED]

CONFIDENTIAL INDICES, [REDACTED] AND ELSUR INDICES,

[REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE RE CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS AND BUSINESS ENTITY ON JULY 15, 1987, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF APPLICANT WAS THE SUBJECT OF PREVIOUS INDICES CHECK IN AUGUST, 1983.

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FM BALTIMORE (161A-6770) (SQ. 9)

TO ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (PRIORITY)

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ATTN: [REDACTED] ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE: BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES DATED  
JULY 10, 1987.

ON JULY 14, 1987, A SEARCH OF BALTIMORE GENERAL,

CONFIDENTIAL, AND ELSUR INDICES CONDUCTED BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DISCLOSED NO IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION REGARDING THE  
APPOINTEE, HIS LISTED RELATIVES, OR HIS BUSINESS BASED ON  
THE INFORMATION PROVIDED.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

REBUTEL TO ALL OFFICES JULY 10, 1987.

CHICAGO GENERAL INDICES [REDACTED] JULY 10, 1987,

CONFIDENTIAL INDICES [REDACTED] JULY 15, 1987, AND ELSUR

INDICES [REDACTED] JULY 16, 1987, ALL NEGATIVE RE CANDIDATE

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FM SPRINGFIELD (161A-1338)(RUC).

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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN(A); BUDED: JUL. 24, 1987

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, JUL. 10, 1987.

SPRINGFIELD GENERAL INDICES, [REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL

INDICES, [REDACTED] AND ELSUR INDICES, [REDACTED]

ALL NEGATIVE RE CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS AND BUSINESS  
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TO ACTING DIRECTOR ROUTINE

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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035.

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FIELD OFFICE, JULY 10, 1987.

WHERE APPROPRIATE, PRIVACY ACT (E) (3) DATA WAS FURNISHED TO PERSONS INTERVIEWED. EXPRESS PROMISES OF CONFIDENTIALITY, BOTH LIMITED AND UNLIMITED, HAVE BEEN NOTED WHERE GRANTED.

ON JULY 17, 1987, CHECK OF ST. LOUIS DIVISION GENERAL INDICES BY MAIL AND FILE CLERK [REDACTED] AND CONFIDENTIAL AND ELSUR INDICES BY FILE ASSISTANT [REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE ON CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY AND BUSINESS ENTITY.

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JOHN ROBERT <sup>0</sup>SILBER, SPIN(A); BUDED JULY 24, 1987

RE BUREAU TEL TO ALEXANDRIA, ET AL, DATED JULY 10, 1987; BOSTON  
TEL TO BUREAU, ET AL DATED 7/15/87.

FOR INFORMATION OF RECIPIENTS, CAPTIONED APPOINTEE HAS BEEN  
NOMINATED FOR AN UNSPECIFIED PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT, WHICH  
REQUIRED SENATE CONFIRMATION. A PREVIOUS SPIN INVESTIGATION OF THIS  
APPOINTEE WAS CONDUCTED IN AUGUST, 1983. THIS INVESTIGATION IS AN  
UPDATE FROM THAT POINT.

SILBER IS THE PRESIDENT OF BOSTON UNIVERSITY, BOSTON, MA AND IS  
DESCRIBED AS BORN ON AUGUST 15, 1926, IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS WITH  
SSAN 464-28-3640.

INTERVIEW OF THE APPOINTEE ON 7/15/87, REVEALED HE IS A  
DIRECTOR ON THE BOARD OF SEVERAL ENTITIES. ONE SUCH ENTITY IN WHICH  
HE IS A DIRECTOR IS THE NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, INC. (NCI),  
WHOSE PRESIDENT IS JOHN E. BALL, 5203 LEESBURG PIKE, 15TH FLOOR,  
FALLS CHURCH, VA. THE PURPOSE OF NCI IS TO SUPPORT CLOSED  
CAPTIONING FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED.

THE FOLLOWING LEADS ARE BEING SET FORTH FOR THE BELOW LISTED  
FIELD OFFICES BY BOSTON, WHO HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS THE PRINCIPAL

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to verify position*

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OFFICE FOR THIS INVESTIGATION, AS A RESULT OF THE INTERVIEW OF APPOINTEE. BUREAU HAS ADVISED THESE INTERVIEWS MUST BE CONDUCTED EXPEDITIOUSLY SO THAT BUREAU DEADLINE (JULY 24, 1987) CAN BE MET:

ALEXANDRIA AT FALLS CHURCH, VIRGINIA: JOHN E. BALL,  
PRESIDENT, NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, 5203 LEESBURG PIKE, 15TH FLOOR, FALLS CHURCH, VIRGINIA, TELEPHONE (703) 998-2400 (CANDIDATE IS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS).

BALTIMORE AT GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND: FRANK B. SULLIVAN,  
DIRECTOR, NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, INC., (NCI), (CANDIDATE IS ALSO A DIRECTOR), 118 WINDBROOKE CIRCLE, GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND.

CHARLOTTE AT [REDACTED] NORTH CAROLINA: MR. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NORTH CAROLINA, TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

DR. EDWARD C. MERRILL, JR., PH.D., DIRECTOR, NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, INC. (NIC), (CANDIDATE IS ALSO A DIRECTOR), STONEWOOD, 34 SAUNOOKE ROAD, ASHVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA.

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DENVER AT DENVER, COLORADO: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DENVER, COLORADO (CANDIDATE IS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES), TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

LOS ANGELES AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: [REDACTED]

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DIRECTOR, NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, INC., ACT III  
COMMUNICATIONS, INC., 1800 CENTURY PARK EAST, SUITE 200, LOS  
ANGELES, CALIFORNIA (CANDIDATE IS ALSO A BOARD MEMBER OF NCI).

<sup>7</sup>  
EDMUND H. NORTH, DIRECTOR, NCI, 212 NORTH CARMELINA AVENUE,  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

<sup>8</sup>  
[REDACTED] DIRECTOR, NCI, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA.

<sup>9</sup>  
NEWARK AT MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY: WARREN H. SIMINOUS, JR.,  
DIRECTOR, NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, INC. (NCI), (CANDIDATE IS  
ALSO A DIRECTOR), 600 ALEXANDER ROAD, SUITE 2-C, PRINCETON, NEW  
JERSEY.

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NEW HAVEN, AT HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT: [REDACTED]  
<sup>10</sup>  
[REDACTED] UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD, WEST HARTFORD,  
CONNECTICUT, TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED].

CENTER FOR DEMOCRACY (BUSINESS ADDRESS LOCATED IN WDC),  
<sup>11</sup>  
[REDACTED]  
HARTFORD, CONN., [REDACTED] (CANDIDATE IS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD  
OF DIRECTORS FOR THE CENTER FOR DEMOCRACY).

<sup>12</sup>  
NEW YORK AT NEW YORK: MR. WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY, JR., EDITOR,  
NATIONAL REVIEW, 150 E. 35TH ST., NY, NY (212) 676-7330.

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<sup>13</sup>  
DR. HENRY KISSINGER, 435 E. 52ND STREET, NY, NY (212) 421-8486.

<sup>14</sup>  
JULIUS BARNATHAN, DIRECTOR, NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, INC.

(OF WHICH CANDIDATE IS ALSO A DIRECTOR) AND PRESIDENT BROADCAST  
OPERATIONS AND ENGINEERING, CAP/ABC, 7 W. 66TH STREET, NY, NY.

<sup>15</sup>  
[REDACTED] DIRECTOR, NCI, AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] 2ND FLOOR, NY,

NY.

<sup>16</sup>  
SAN ANTONIO AT AUSTIN, TEXAS: PROFESSOR [REDACTED]

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, AUSTIN,  
TEXAS, [REDACTED]

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<sup>17</sup>  
[REDACTED] DIRECTOR, NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, INC

(NCI), (CANDIDATE IS ALSO A DIRECTOR), [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

<sup>18</sup>  
SAN FRANCISCO AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND DIRECTOR, NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE (NCI), (CANDIDATE  
IS ALSO A DIRECTOR), [REDACTED] 7TH FLOOR, SAN

FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

<sup>19</sup>  
SAVANNAH, AT SAVANNAH, GEORGIA: MR. LEONARD ADLER, PRESIDENT,  
PRESERVATION ASSOCIATES OF SAVANNAH, 427 BULL STREET, SAVANNAH,



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GEORGIA, (912) 9590.

<sup>20</sup> WASHINGTON FIELD AT WASHINGTON, D.C.: THE HONORABLE SILVIO O.  
CONTE, 2300 RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, WDC, (202) 225-5335.

<sup>21</sup> MR. JORGE MAS CANOSA, DIRECTOR, PRESIDENTIAL ADVISORY BOARD OR  
RADIO BROADCASTING TO CUBA, 400 6TH ST., S.W., WDC, (202) 485-6312.

<sup>22</sup> [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] N.W., WDC, [REDACTED]

<sup>23</sup> THE HONORABLE JOHN MURTHA, 2423 RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING,  
WDC, (202) 225-2065.

<sup>24</sup> [REDACTED] DEFENSE POLICY BOARD ADVISORY COMMITTEE,  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, WDC, (CANDIDATE IS A BOARD MEMBER) [REDACTED]

<sup>25</sup> [REDACTED] DIRECTOR, NCI, AND AFFILIATED WITH [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WDC.

<sup>26</sup> [REDACTED] DIRECTOR, NCI, AND [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WDC.

<sup>27</sup> [REDACTED] PH.D., DIRECTOR, NCI [REDACTED]  
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TO ACTING DIRECTOR PRIORITY

(ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: JULY 24, 1987

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REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, JULY 17, 1987.

ON JULY 15, 1987, CLERK [REDACTED] AND FILE

ASSISTANT [REDACTED] SEARCHED THE ELSUR AND CONFIDENTIAL

INDICES, RESPECTIVELY, AND ON JULY 14, 1987, INVESTIGATIVE

ASSISTANT [REDACTED] SEARCHED THE GENERAL INDICES OF

THE MILWAUKEE OFFICE, WITHOUT LOCATING ANY INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE

WITH APPOINTEE, ANY MEMBERS OF APPOINTEE'S FAMILY OR HIS PRESENT

BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF PREVIOUS SPIN CASE

REGARDING APPOINTEE'S UNSPECIFIED PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT IN

AUGUST, 1983.

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES DATED JULY 10, 1987.

JACKSON GENERAL INDICES CHECKED BY [REDACTED] AND REVEALED

A BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES DATED AUGUST 8, 1983, CAPTIONED "JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN, BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983," AND JACKSON TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU DATED AUGUST 11, 1983, ADVISING ALL INDICES NEGATIVE.

ELSUR CHECKED BY [REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL INDICES CHECKED BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND NEGATIVE REGARDING APPOINTEE, CLOSE RELATIVES AND

PRESENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT. JACKSON DOES NOT HAVE ISIS.

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ATTENTION [REDACTED] SPIN, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE, JULY 10, 1987.

ON JULY 11, 1987, NORFOLK INDICES WERE CHECKED; ON JULY 14, 1987, ELSUR INDICES WERE CHECKED, AND ON JULY 14, 1987, SECURE INDICES WERE CHECKED, ALL WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS RE CANDIDATE; ALL LISTED MEMBERS OF CANDIDATE'S FAMILY, AND PRESENT EMPLOYER.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>ALEXANDRIA</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>7/20/87</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>7/14/87 to 7/17/87</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>JOHN ROBERT SIBLER</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>csH</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)</b>	

REFERENCE: Bureau teletype to Alexandria dated 7/10/87.


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ADMINISTRATIVE:

All individuals contacted were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act, and those requesting confidentiality have been so noted.

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Alexandria indices (general, confidential and ELSUR) are negative regarding the appointee.

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July 20, 1987

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Field Office File #:

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Title:

JOHN ROBERT SIBLER

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)

Synopsis:

Membership on Board of Directors of the National  
Captioning Institute verified.

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DETAILS:MISCELLANEOUS

On July 17, 1987, Mr. JOHN BALL, President, National Captioning Institute, 5203 Leesburg Pike, Bailey Crossroad, Virginia, advised that the appointee has been a member of the Board of Directors since October 8, 1985, and that he is a very active member. He advised that the board members are usually appointed for a three year term meaning that the appointee's term will expire in October, 1988.

BALL advised that there is no additional or derogatory information in the file pertaining to the appointee.

On July 17, 1987, SA [REDACTED] caused a search to be made of the files of the Security Office, Personnel, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Room 3B346, The Pentagon, and found that the appointee was issued a "Top Secret" security clearance by the Office of the Secretary of Defense based on a full field investigation completed by the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) on August 8, 1983.

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On July 17, 1987, SA [REDACTED] caused

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a search to be made of the files of the Inspector General's Office, Department of Defense, 400 Army-Navy Drive, Suite 901E, Arlington, Virginia, and found that there was no record regarding the appointee.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>ALEXANDRIA</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>7/21/87</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>7/20/87</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA [redacted]</b>	TYPED BY <b>mt</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)</b>	

REFERENCE: Boston teletype to the Bureau, dated July 17, 1987.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

All individuals contacted were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act, and those requesting confidentiality have been so noted.

Alexandria indices (General, Confidential and ELSUR) are negative regarding the appointee.

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SA [REDACTED]

Office: Alexandria, Virginia

Date:

July 21, 1987

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)

Synopsis:

Reference favorably recommends.

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On July 20, 1987, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] California, advised that he has known the appointee less than one year. He stated that he saw the appointee at the last meeting of the Defense Police Board which was held last week. He described the appointee as a person having first rate character and integrity. He stated that the appointee is mentally and financially stable.

[REDACTED] advised that he had no knowledge or information that would reflect negatively on the character, reputation and/or associates of the appointee. He advised that he knew of no alcohol abuse or drug usage on the part of the appointee.

[REDACTED] advised that the appointee is a trustworthy and patriotic American citizen who is loyal to the United States. He stated that he would recommend the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (PRIORITY)

ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN ROOM 5L6L

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN(A), BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES DATED JULY 10, 1987.

ALBANY'S GENERAL INDICES SEARCHED BY [REDACTED]

CONFIDENTIAL INDICES SEARCHED BY [REDACTED] AND ELSUR INDICES

SEARCHED BY [REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE REGARDING CANDIDATE,

CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS AND BUSINESS ENTITY ON JULY 15, 1987.

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FM SAN DIEGO (161A-1435)

TO ACTING DIRECTOR (ROUTINE)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, AKA; SPIN (A); OO: BUREAU.

REBUTEL TO ALEXANDRIA DATED JULY 10, 1987, AND SAN DIEGO  
TEL TO THE BUREAU DATED JULY 15, 1987.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, [REDACTED]  
REFERENCE FOR APPOINTEE, IS CURRENTLY UNAVAILABLE FOR AN  
INTERVIEW. CONTACT WITH HIS OFFICE INDICATES THAT HIS  
UNAVAILABILITY WILL CONTINUE UNTIL AROUND JULY 24, 1987. IN  
LIGHT OF THIS OCCURENCE, REPORT WILL BE DELAYED. INTERVIEW  
OF APPOINTEE'S OTHER REFERENCE, LT. GENERAL KRULAK, REVEALED  
POSITIVE INFORMATION. REPORT TO FOLLOW EXPEDITIOUSLY UPON  
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FM NEWARK (161A-3598A-8) (RUC) (C-7)

TO ACTING DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

(ATTN: MS. [REDACTED] SPECIAL INQUIRY UNIT, ROOM 1B035)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987

RE: BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, JULY 11, 1987.

A REVIEW OF NEWARK INDICES, BOTH GENERAL AND CONFIDENTIAL,  
AND ELSUR FILES WERE NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE, HIS CLOSE RELATIVES,  
AND PRESENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT AS OF JULY 20, 1987.

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FM FBI, DALLAS (161A-1704) (RUC)

TO DIRECTOR, FBI PRIORITY

ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN ROOM 1B035

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A); BUDED: 7/24/87.

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES 7/10/87.

DALLAS GENERAL INDICES [REDACTED], CONFIDENTIAL

INDICES [REDACTED] AND ELSUR INDICES [REDACTED]

ALL NEGATIVE RE: CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS AND  
BUSINESS ENTITY, ON 7/17/87; EXCEPT PREVIOUS SPIN INVESTIGATION  
CONDUCTED ON CANDIDATE, 8/19/83.

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FM LOUISVILLE (161A-959) (RUC)

TO ACTING DIRECTOR PRIORITY

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035  
JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES DATED JULY 10, 1987.

BASED UPON AVAILABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING APPOINTEE, JOHN ROBERT SILBER, AND ALL CLOSE RELATIVES, THE LOUISVILLE GENERAL INDICES WERE SEARCHED ON JULY 11, 1987, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS, EXCEPT FOR A REFERENCE IDENTIFIABLE WITH APPOINTEE IN FILE CAPTIONED, "JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPECIAL INQUIRY; BUDED: AUGUST 22, 1983, WITHOUT FAIL (B)," WHICH REVEALS THE NEGATIVE RESULTS OF A SEARCH OF THE LOUISVILLE GENERAL AND ELSUR INDICES FOR APPOINTEE AND ALL CLOSE RELATIVES ON AUGUST 8 AND 10, 1983,

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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN ROOM 1B035.

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES JULY 10, 1987.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE SAN ANTONIO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU	DATE 7/22/87	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7/20/87-7/21/87
TITLE OF CASE JOHN ROBERT SILBER		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY bjd
		CHARACTER OF CASE  SPIN(A)	

BUDED: 7/24/87

REFERENCES:

Bureau teletype to AFO dated 7/13/87; San Antonio teletype to Bureau dated 7/15/87; Boston teletype to New York dated 7/15/87; Boston teletype to Bureau dated 7/17/87; and San Antonio teletype to New York dated 7/22/87.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

All persons contacted were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act and those requesting confidentiality have been so noted.

A review of the following San Antonio Indices failed to reveal any information identifiable concerning candidate and references.

Foims searched by [REDACTED] on 7/17/87.  
General/Woodmur searched by [REDACTED] on 7/17/87.

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ELSUR searched by ELSUR Assistant [REDACTED] on 7/20/87. b6

Informants searched by Confidential Clerk [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED] on 7/18/87.

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## Copy to:

Report of:

SA [REDACTED]

Office: SAN ANTONIO

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7/22/87

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Title:

JOHN ROBERT SILBER

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Character:

SPIN(A)

Synopsis:

Reference Professor [REDACTED] advises appointee is well suited to a position of trust with the United States Government, having excellent character, good reputation, reputable associates, and strong intellectual abilities. Appointee is a loyal American, financially stable, and has no problems concerning alcohol abuse or drug use. [REDACTED] recommends. Reference [REDACTED] [REDACTED] interviewed and highly recommends.

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DETAILS:

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REFERENCE

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] at Austin, Texas:

On July 20, 1987, Professor [redacted] [redacted] University of Texas at Austin, provided this information:

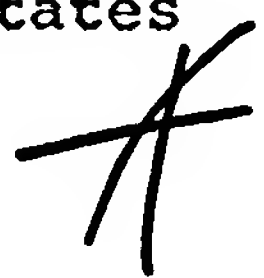
[redacted] has known JOHN ROBERT SILBER since approximately 1965, when they were both members of the university faculty. During 1969, they worked closely together as members of a university committee drafting a code of student conduct. Since SILBER left the University of Texas in the early 1970's, [redacted] has maintained contact with the appointee.

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The appointee is a person of exceptionally strong character, honest and trustworthy. He associates with others of like character and enjoys a reputation as a man of integrity. The appointee possesses extraordinary abilities in his field, as demonstrated by his work in bringing Boston University up to a position of prominence in American education.

SILBER has never shown any indications whatsoever of illegal drug use or intemperate alcohol consumption. Although he has fared well financially, receiving a generous salary from Boston University and additional income through financial investments, he lives in a moderately austere manner. The appointee is not a person of extravagant taste.

[redacted] expressed no doubts as to the appointee's allegiance to the United States, citing SILBER's innate abilities and skills, and recommends him for any position of trust with the United States Government.



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REFERENCE/SOCIAL ACQUAINTANCE

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted]

On July 21, 1987, [redacted]

[redacted] San Antonio, Texas, furnished the following information which he considered to be non-confidential:

[redacted] stated that he had known JOHN ROBERT SILBER socially and personally for the last 32 years. [redacted] described SILBER as a highly motivated individual with rare and unique abilities. He described his personal habits as exemplary and has never known appointee to abuse alcohol or use narcotics of any kind. Appointee is a financially responsible person who has always lived well within his means. [redacted] described SILBER's past employments as being of an administrative nature, one being recalled as Administrator with the University of Texas. [redacted] advised that SILBER has excellent work habits and although he has held several critical jobs, he has always remained emotionally stability.


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[redacted] described SILBER as having the "finest command of the English language of anyone he has met in his entire life." He continued that SILBER handles the English language either written or orally in an excellent manner. SILBER, according to [redacted] is extremely able to engage in intelligent conversation and as such can effectively exercise leadership and support unpopular decisions.

[redacted] described SILBER as well organized, capable, having a large capacity for work and a person whom he would like to be associated with in any endeavor he chose.

[redacted] continued that SILBER has a character of the highest nature and he has never heard any criticism of his motivations or loyalties in regard to his employment or his citizenship. [redacted] related that SILBER has maintained a high degree of moral character and has maintained a good reputation even among those with whom he has disagreed.

[redacted] concluded by stating that he would highly recommend SILBER for any position of trust with the United States Government.





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REPORTING OFFICE NEWARK	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU	DATE 7/22/87	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7/21/87
TITLE OF CASE JOHN ROBERT SILBER		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY nb
		CHARACTER OF CASE SPIN (A)	

REFERENCE

Bureau teletype dated 7/10/87.

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Where appropriate, Privacy Act (3) (e) data was furnished to persons interviewed. Express promises of confidentiality, both limited and unlimited, have been noted where granted.

Newark general indices, Elsur and ISIS negative regarding appointee, relatives, and present business establishment, as of 7/21/87.

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## Copy to:

Report of: SA [REDACTED]  
Date: July 22, 1987

Office: Newark, New Jersey

Field Office File #: NK 161A-3598

Bureau File #:

Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)

## Synopsis:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] New Jersey, was interviewed on July 21, 1987 and highly recommended the appointee for a position of trust with the Federal government.

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DETAILSREFERENCES

On July 21, 1987, Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] conducted the following investigation:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] New Jersey, advised that he has known the appointee for many years and came to meet the appointee through the appointee's employment as President of BOSTON UNIVERSITY, Boston, Massachusetts. [REDACTED] advised that the appointee's character, associates, reputation, and loyalty were beyond reproach and that the Federal government would greatly benefit by attracting persons of the appointee's caliber. [REDACTED] knows of no instances of the appointee misusing alcohol or drugs of abuse. He also knows the appointee to be free of biases or prejudices against any class of citizen, religious, racial or ethnic groups. [REDACTED] most highly recommended the appointee for a position of trust with the United States government.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987

RE BOSTON TELETYPE TO BUREAU, NEW YORK AND SAN ANTONIO,  
JULY 15, 1987.

ON JULY 21, 1987, MANAGING PUBLISHER CLIFF OLOFSON, THE TEXAS  
OBSERVER, 600 W. 28TH STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS ADVISED [REDACTED]  
APPOINTEE'S LISTED REFERENCE, IS NOT CURRENTLY IN AUSTIN. [REDACTED] IS  
PRESENTLY LOCATED AT [REDACTED]  
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10016, TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

NEW YORK AT NEW YORK. CONTACT AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NEW YORK, TELEPHONE

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ATTENTION [REDACTED] SPIN, ROOM 1B035.

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, DATED JULY 10, 1987.

ON JULY 20, 1987, DETROIT GENERAL INDICES SUPPORT EMPLOYEE

[REDACTED] ELSUR INDICES SURRPOT EMPLOYEE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND CONFIDENTIAL INDICES SUPPORT EMPLOYEE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WERE NEGATIVE REGARDING APPOINTEE, CLOSE FAMILY,

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		CHARACTER OF CASE SPIN	

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REFERENCE: Boston teletype, dated 7/17/87.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

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Title:

JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character:

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Synopsis:

NCI associate commented favorably and recommended.

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DETAILS:ASSOCIATEb6  
b7CThe following investigation conducted by  
SA [REDACTED]AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

On July 21, 1987, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised he has been acquainted with the Appointee for a little over one year. He stated they are both on the governing board for the National Captioning Institute (NCI) and during that period of time he has come to know the Appointee as a man with a high sense of integrity and morality and what he would describe as "a straight shooter." He stated the Appointee is a man of a serious demeanor, very responsible, but that he has a very good New England sense of humor.

[REDACTED] advised he only sees the Appointee on an infrequent basis inasmuch as the NCI board only meets eight times a year and if he misses a meeting or if the

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Appointee misses a meeting, that would mean that he only sees the Appointee six to seven times a year. [redacted] stated, however, that during the times that he has met, talked, and communicated with the Appointee, he has never seen any evidence that he is a man that abuses the use of alcohol or uses any kind of illegal narcotics, nor has he ever seen any indication that the Appointee is anything other than a very loyal citizen of this country and he would recommend him for a position of responsibility with the Federal Government without any reservations whatsoever.

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REPORTING OFFICE SAVANNAH	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU	DATE 7/22/87	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7/20/87
TITLE OF CASE JOHN ROBERT SILBER		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY ads
		CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)	

REFERENCE: Boston immediate teletype to FBIHQ, ET AL, dated 7/17/87.

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Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)

## Synopsis:

Associate highly recommended the appointee and commended his character, associates, loyalty, and abilities.

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DETAILS:ASSOCIATE:

On July 20, 1987, Mr. LEONARD ADLER, President of the Preservation Association of Savannah, 427 Bull Street, Savannah, Georgia, was interviewed concerning his knowledge of the appointee. ADLER advised that he has known the appointee since 1965, and his relationship with the appointee has been one of both business and of personal nature. ADLER continued by saying that he last saw the appointee last week and added that he usually has contact with the appointee approximately one time a month. ADLER stated that he was familiar with the fact that the appointee is or was in the running for the position of Secretary of Education. ADLER described the appointee as hard-working, bright, fair-minded, honest, kind, devout in his religion, diplomatic and as someone who inspires loyalty. ADLER stated that the appointee is neither sly nor deceitful and is bombastic in that he will speak his mind; and when doing so, the appointee remains fair-minded and allows the other individual to share his opinions and beliefs. ADLER verbalized that the appointee expects only excellence from his associates. In addition, he added that the appointee is gentlemanly and has charm and wit and is loyal to his family; and from a business sense, ADLER continued, the appointee is

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well-rounded in that he has knowledge and experience in the financial and educational worlds. As an example, ADLER pointed out that the appointee has received awards from the German Government and is an international figure as he has been a member of the Kissinger Commission. He stated that the appointee is a strong believer in justice and free speech although he has not tolerated examples of civil disobedience. ADLER commented that he has never known the appointee to associate with disreputable individuals. ADLER further commented that in the years that he has known the appointee, he has been in several social settings with the appointee, and the appointee has always carried himself in a gentlemanly and well behaved manner. ADLER related that the appointee has always exhibited an incredible ability both in his business and his personal life. ADLER verbalized that he has never had cause to question the appointee's sense of loyalty to the United States Government. ADLER advised that the appointee's work habits keep him from being a 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. employee as he works long hours every day and expects and gets from others the same. He stated the appointee has always exhibited an ability to meet deadlines and handles stress in a satisfactory manner. ADLER commented that the appointee has always appeared to live within his financial means. He also commented that the appointee has never used drugs or abused alcohol. As a matter of fact, the appointee "hates" it, meaning drugs and alcohol. ADLER commented that the appointee has no prejudices or biases of any kind and has a great concern for minorities; and as an example of his respect in the community, he has received awards from several minorities such as the Jewish community around Boston University. ADLER related that he would highly recommend the appointee for any position of trust starting from the President of the United States all the way down to whatever position. ADLER stated the appointee well deserves the position and would carry out his position with total capability.



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ATTENTION [REDACTED] ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN(A), BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FIELD OFFICES DATED  
JULY 10, 1987.

NO REFERENCE WAS FOUND REGARDING APPOINTEE OR LISTED CLOSE  
RELATIVES WITH EXCEPTION AS NOTED BELOW. THE FOLLOWING MINNEAPOLIS  
DIVISION INDICES WERE CHECKED ON JULY 20, 1987, BY THE INDICATED  
MINNEAPOLIS EMPLOYEES:

GENERAL INDICES: [REDACTED]

CONFIDENTIAL INDICES: SHIRLEY A. POPPE

ELSUR INDICES: [REDACTED]

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987

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HONOLULU GENERAL INDICES (SECURITY AND COMPLAINT CLERK

[REDACTED] ON JULY 10, 1987), CONFIDENTIAL INDICES  
(FILE ASSISTANT [REDACTED] ON JULY 17, 1987), AND ELSUR  
INDICES (FILE CLERK [REDACTED] ON JULY 16, 1987), ALL  
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TITLE OF CASE  JOHN ROBERT SILBER		REPORT MADE BY CLERK [REDACTED]	TYPED BY clw
		CHARACTER OF CASE  SPIN (A)	

REFERENCE:

Bureau teletype to Baltimore, dated July 10, 1987

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No persons contacted requested confidentiality under the provisions of the Privacy Act.

Baltimore general indices negative re appointee.

The total number of support work hours expended on case was 1½ hours.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER

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SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)

Synopsis:

DCII was checked on July 22, 1987 without locating any record of appointee.

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DETAILS:

The Defense Central Index of Investigations (DCII) is a computerized index of applicant, security and criminal investigative files compiled by the Department of Defense (DOD). On July 22, 1987, a search of the DCII was conducted in regard to appointee by the DCII computer operator at Fort George G. Meade, Maryland. Review of the resulting DCII printout disclosed no record of appointee.

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REPORTING OFFICE WASHINGTON FIELD	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU	DATE 7/23/87	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7/20-23/87
TITLE OF CASE  JOHN ROBERT SILBER		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY b6 b7C
		CHARACTER OF CASE  SPIN	

REFERENCE: Bureau teletype dated July 10, 1987.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE

"Where appropriate, Privacy Act (e) (3) data was furnished to persons interviewed. Express promises of confidentiality, both limited and unlimited, have been noted, where granted."

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Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: WASHINGTON, D.C. b6  
Date: JULY 23, 1987 b7C  
Field Office File #: 161A-16915 Bureau File #:  
Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis: Previous nomination verified in April, 1985. Public Integrity Section, U.S. Department of Justice, no record. Police checks negative. No record USSS.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

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WHITE HOUSE OFFICE (WHO)  
EXECUTIVE CLERKS OFFICE  
OLD EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING  
17th AND PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.E.  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] on 7/17/87, regarding  
the appointee, JOHN SILBER.

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The following record of appointment or nomination  
possibly identifiable with appointee was located in the  
office:

Nominated to be a member of the Advisory Board  
for radio broadcasting to Cuba, 4/17/85.

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OFFICE OF PUBLIC INTEGRITY  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

On July 23, 1987, IA [ ] caused a search to be made of the files of the Office of Public Integrity, U.S. Department of Justice concerning the appointee, JOHN ROBERT SILBER. It was determined from that search that no record was found concerning the appointee.

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POLICE AGENCIES

On 7 /22/87, a query was made in the Washington Area Law Enforcement computer (WALES) and it was determined that no record was located at the Metropolitan Police Department concerning the appointee (or relatives).

It is to be noted that at all times an indefinite number of unidentified records may not be in the computer and not available for review.

On 7/20/87, IA [ ] determined that there is no record of violations in the files of the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Motor Vehicle Services, Government of the District of Columbia regarding the appointee.

On 7 /21/87, IA [ ] searched the files of the United States Park Police and no identifiable adult criminal record could be located regarding the appointee.

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MISCELLANEOUS

IA [ ] caused a search to be made of the files of the U.S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury, and was advised on 7/21/87, that (no record) (no derogatory information) (no pertinent information) was found concerning the appointee.

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TITLE OF CASE  <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>IA</b>	TYPED BY <b>das</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SPIN</b>	

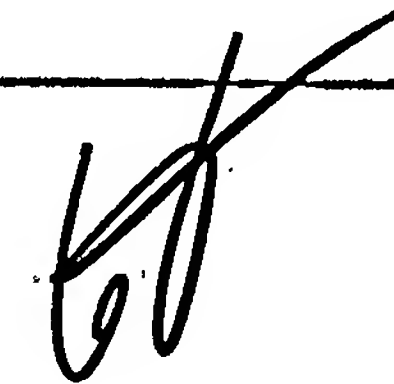
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Bureau teletype to Alexandria dated 7/10/87.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Individuals contacted in this matter were advised of the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, and none requested confidentiality.

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IA [REDACTED]

Date:

7/23/87

Office: PITTSBURGH

Field Office File #: 161A-R-1609

Bureau File #:

Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

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## Synopsis:

Office of Personnel Management (OPM) checks show no information since previous investigation.

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On 7/23/87, [REDACTED] Records Supervisor, United States Office of Personnel Management (USOPM), NACI Center, Boyers, Pennsylvania, advised that OPM files contain no additional information for captioned applicant since last investigation conducted.

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REPORTING OFFICE BOSTON	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU	DATE 7/23/87	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7/14 - 21/87
TITLE OF CASE JOHN ROBERT SILBER		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY: po's
		CHARACTER OF CASE SPIN(A)	

REFERENCE: Bureau teletype to Alexandria, dated 7/10/87.  
 Boston teletype to Bureau, dated 7/14/87.  
 Boston airtel to Bureau (indices check), dated 7/16/87.  
 Boston teletype to Bureau, dated 7/16/87.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

All persons contacted in this matter were advised of the provisions of the Privacy Act, and none desired confidentiality.

Indices checks (negative) conducted by IA [redacted] and results furnished in referenced Boston airtel, dated 7/16/87.

Credit and arrest check at Boston, MA PD conducted by IA [redacted].

Case Agent was further assisted in interviews, employment verification, and other matters by SAs [redacted] III, [redacted] and [redacted]

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Date: JULY 23, 1987

Office: BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

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Field Office File #: BS 161A-6213

Bureau File #:

Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)

Synopsis: Employment verified and favorable. Reference highly recommends. Associates highly recommend. Neighborhood verified and favorable. Credit satisfactory. Arrest checks negative. No derogatory information located within newspaper morgues. Dr. ARTHUR METCALF (reference) advised appointee no longer a Director at Electronics Corporation of America. USA's office negative.

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DETAILS:

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EMPLOYMENT

BOSTON UNIVERSITY  
OFFICE OF PERSONNEL  
125 BUICK STREET  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

On July 20, 1987, [ ] Personnel, advised from records that the appointee has been the President of the University since January 15, 1971. In addition to being the President of the University, the appointee has also been voted by a majority of the Board to be a trustee of the University. [ ] explained that not all presidents of the University automatically become members of the Board of Trustees but this was a measure of confidence bestowed upon the appointee by the Board.

[ ] stated that as the [ ] Personnel, he has contact with the appointee approximately six times a year. He has had this contact with the appointee for the last seven and one-half years ever since his becoming [ ] Personnel. This contact is with regards to labor negotiations that must be undertaken at the University for executive direction that is needed with regards to those negotiations.

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The appointee is described as being dynamic, committed and energetic. The appointee is someone who demands the very best of everyone that he comes in contact with and works with. It is the vision of the appointee to make the University a top university in the world and to be number one.

The appointee is an outstanding individual who is head and shoulders above anyone else [ ] has come in contact with.

[ ] is unaware of any reason to question to the appointee's character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States.

[ ] knows of no alcohol abuse nor any use of illegal narcotics by the appointee.

[ ] considers the appointee's lifestyle and spending habits to be consistent with his financial means.

[ ] is unaware of the appointee expressing or manifesting any biases or prejudices against any class of citizens, religious, racial, or ethnic group.

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When asked to recommend the appointee for a position of trust and responsibility with the administration  responded "absolutely!".

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REFERENCE:

On July 14, 1987, DOCTOR ARTHUR G. B. METCALE, Chairman of the Board, The Electronics Corporation of America, 265 Winter Street, Waltham, Massachusetts, advised that he holds the same comments as those that were reflected within a previous interview on August 16, 1983 by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). He states that the appointee is no longer a Director of the Electronics Corporation of America. He states that the affiliation ended somewhere around November of 1986 when the company was bought out by Rockwell International. He states that the company now has no outside memberships and is controlled internally. He states that the appointee is a confirmed patriot and is very interested in the causes that affect the United States. He has never expressed a bias towards any racial, religious, or ethnic group, does not use alcohol or drugs, and lives financially within his means. DOCTOR METCALE says that he still recommends the appointee for a position of trust with the United States Government.



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INTERVIEW OF APPOINTEE

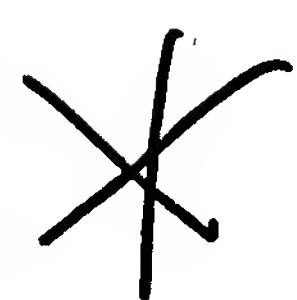
On July 14, 1987, interview of Dr. JOHN ROBERT SILBER, at his office at Boston University, 147 Bay State Road, Boston, Massachusetts regarding the information he had previously furnished in February, 1987 on his application (SF-86) determined that there were no deviations from the applicant to his knowledge.

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On July 14, 1987, [redacted] President of Boston University, 147 Bay State Road, Boston, Massachusetts advised she is very familiar with Dr. JOHN SILBER and has known him for over twenty years. [redacted] advised she greatly admires DR. SILBER and thinks he is one of the most honest, trustworthy, and sincere individuals she has ever met. [redacted] described Dr. SILBER as an extremely kind and considerate employer who has the employee's interest at heart. She advised she has no reason to question his character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States Government. Furthermore, she has never known Dr. SILBER to abuse alcohol nor use any type of illegal narcotic substance. He has never exhibited any type of bias or prejudice toward anyone in her presence. She has never known his lifestyle and spending habits to be inconsistent with his financial means. [redacted] advised she would recommend Dr. SILBER without reservation for any sensitive position with the United States Government that would be offered to him.

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On July 16, 1987, Ms. [redacted] advised the verification request of the FBI of Dr. SILBER's application (SF-86) in his absence (he was not due to return until 7/24/87, or 7/25/87) resulted in the following additional information that was inadvertently omitted from Dr. SILBER's application:

Under question number 24, "Membership in other organizations", the following memberships should be included:

University of Denver as a member of the Board of Trustees, Denver, Colorado.

Board member of Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee, Department of Defense, Washington D.C.

Member of the Board of Directors of Center for Democracy, 1155 15th Street, NW, Suite 1010, Washington D.C.

Corporation for Educational Telecommunications, as a member of the Board of Directors.

Board of Directors of the National Captioning Institute, Incorporated, 5203 Leesburg Pike, 15th Floor, Falls Church, Virginia (JOHN E. BALL, President).



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A member of the Advisory Committee for Radis Marti, 400 6th Street, SW, Washington D.C.

PRODEMCA ("Private Citizens Committed to Democracy, Human Rights and Social Justice in Central America"), as a member of the National Counsel, located 729 15th Street, NW, Suite 950, Washington D.C. (a non-profit, non partisen educational organization, whose Chairman is ANGIER BIDDLE DUKE).

Ms. [ ] further advised Dr. SILBER is no longer on the Board of Directors of the Electronics Corporation of America, as that company was recently sold to another entity, and all of the previous Board Members had to be dissolved by the new ownership.

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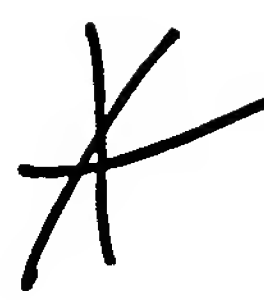
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ASSOCIATE:

On July 14, 1987, [REDACTED]  
Electronics Corporation of America, 265 Winter Street, Waltham,  
Massachusetts advised that he has known the applicant since 1980.  
He states that he still feels the same as the comments given to  
the FBI in August 22, 1983 interview. He states that the  
appointee is no longer a Director since the Board of Directors  
was dissolved on October 15, 1986. He states that all outside  
affiliations were dissolved when the company was bought by  
Rockwell International.

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He feels that the appointee is a great patriot and an  
American. He is a terrific guy who is very concerned about the  
welfare of the country. He has never expressed a bias towards  
any class of citizen, racial, religious, or ethnic group. He  
does not know the appointee to abuse alcohol or use drugs and  
says that he lives financially within his means. He knows  
nothing derogatory or unfavorable concerning the applicant and  
recommends him for a position of trust with the United States  
Government.



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ASSOCIATE:

On April 14, 1987, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] The Bank of Boston, 100 Federal Street, Boston, Massachusetts advised that he has known the appointee for approximately 16 years. He states that he knew him in 1971 and 1972 since they were both from the State of Texas. He has served on the Boston University Board since 1977 and states that the appointee is an extremely honest, principled individual. He is a man of very deep moral convictions, conscientious, patriotic, and a good family man. He is of excellent character and reputation but he really was not familiar with any of his associates. He is loyal, never uses alcohol or drugs and is in good physical and mental condition. He knows nothing derogatory or unfavorable concerning the man. He has never heard the appointee express any bias towards any class of citizen, racial, religious, or ethnic group and believes that the appointee does live financially within his means. He recommends him for the position of trust with the United States Government.

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On July 15, 1987, [redacted] University Professor, The Boston University, 118 Bay State Road, Boston, Massachusetts, advised that he has known the appointee since 1981. He states that they were colleagues together but more accurately he works for him as a faculty member. He states that the appointee is a very interesting man but his contact with him has only been on an official basis. He finds him to be a very forceful and innovative person who has turned the University around. He is extremely patriotic, of excellent character and reputation. He is not familiar with his associates but states that he has no reason to doubt his loyalty to the American Government. He has never seen any alcohol or drug abuse and states that he is in good physical and mental condition except for the fact that he is missing his right arm. He has never heard him express any bias or class of citizen, racial, religious, or ethnic group. He could not comment as to his financial conditions but states he knows nothing derogatory or unfavorable concerning him. He recommends him highly for the position of trust with the United States Government.

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On July 15, 1987, [redacted] The Boston University Medical Center, 720 Harrison Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts advised that he has known the applicant since 1973. He states that they have been colleagues together at Boston University since that time. The appointee is a brilliant, hard working, honest individual with a broad range of knowledge. He is particularly opinionated but also feisty at times. He is able to accomplish his purposes, is a good leader, and also a team player. He is what MR. [redacted] would describe as "the Renaissance Man". He is of good character and reputation and has never expressed any bias towards any racial group, religious, ethnic, or class of citizen. He states that the appointee has no associates which would be deemed disreputable and lives financially within his means. He is loyal and has never used or abused alcohol. He is in good physical and mental condition and he knows nothing derogatory concerning the appointee. He recommends him for the position of trust with the United States Government.

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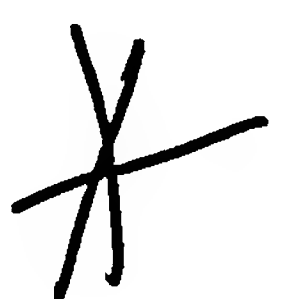
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ASSOCIATE:

On July 21, 1987, [redacted]  
(retired) [redacted]  
Boston, Massachusetts, advised he has known appointee for twelve years. He first became associated with appointee when appointee was elected as President of BOSTON UNIVERSITY. He did not want the appointee as President so he voted against him. After appointee was elected President [redacted] decided to tell appointee that he did not vote for him and that he would resign as a Board of Trustee member. Appointee asked him to stay for a one year trial period. He stayed for the one year and was so impressed by appointee that he has stayed for twelve years.

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He holds appointee in such high regard that he has spoken with members of the Republican party concerning appointee being considered as a gubernatorial or senatorial candidate. He described appointee as a very astute and positive person that anyone would be proud to have as a friend. He has no reason to question his character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States. He is aware of nothing derogatory concerning the appointee and has no knowledge the appointee has abused alcohol or ever used illegal drugs. He feels the appointee is a responsible person in his finances. He has no knowledge of appointee having expressed or manifested any bias or prejudice against any class of citizen, or any religious, racial, or ethnic group. He would recommend the appointee for a position of trust with the United States Government.



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ASSOCIATE:

On July 21, 1987, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Boston, Massachusetts, and a member of the Board of Trustees at BOSTON UNIVERSITY, advised that he has known appointee for nine year and considers him an extraordinary individual with great talents. He describes the appointee as possessing outstanding intellectual and leadership capabilities. He has no reason to question his character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States. He is aware of noting derogatory concerning the appointee and has no knowledge the appointee has abused alcohol or ever used illegal drugs. He feels the appointee is a responsible person in his finances. He has no knowledge of appointee having expressed or manifested any bias or prejudice against any class of citizen, or any religious, racial, or ethnic group. He would recommend the appointee for a position of trust with the United States Government.

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ASSOCIATE:

On July 21, 1987, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Boston,

Massachusetts and a member of the Board of Trustees at BOSTON UNIVERSITY advised he has known appointee for seventeen years. He stated appointee is one who speaks out on issues and makes enemies due to his views. He advised that appointee is a very open-minded and patriotic person. He has no reason to question his character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States. He is aware of nothing derogatory concerning the appointee and has no knowledge the appointee has abused alcohol or ever used illegal drugs. He feels the appointee is a responsible person in his finances. He has no knowledge of appointee having expressed or manifested any bias or prejudice against any class of citizen or any religious, racial, or ethnic group. He would recommend the appointee for a position of trust with the United States Government.



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On July 21, 1987, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Boston, Massachusetts, advised he is familiar with the appointee in view of the fact he [REDACTED] is a Trustee on the Board of BOSTON UNIVERSITY. [REDACTED] advised he believes the appointee to be an extremely intelligent, sensitive, honest, and trustworthy individual. [REDACTED] advised in fact the only thing that he disagrees with the appointee on as far as BOSTON UNIVERSITY is concerned is when the appointee appointed the former Mayor of Boston as a teacher in the Political Science Department after the former Mayor of Boston (KEVIN WHITE) decided not to run for an additional term for Mayor of Boston. [REDACTED] advised he was quite upset with Dr. SILVER for hiring WHITE and providing him with a large salary, in fact, to the point where he almost quit as a Trustee on the board at BOSTON UNIVERSITY. However, he felt Dr. SILVER needed his support at the university and therefore, decided to remain. [REDACTED] advised Dr. SILVER is an extremely competent administrator and is extremely hard working. He advised he has no reason to question the appointee's character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States Government. He has never known the appointee to abuse alcohol nor use any type of illegal narcotic substance, nor has the appointee ever exhibited any type of bias or prejudice toward anyone in [REDACTED] presence. [REDACTED] advised the appointee's lifestyle and spending habits appear to be consistent with his financial means. [REDACTED] advised he would highly recommend the appointee for a sensitive position of trust with the United States Government.

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ASSOCIATE:

On July 21, 1987, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Massachusetts advised he is familiar with the appointee in view of the fact he [REDACTED] is a Trustee on the Board for BOSTON UNIVERSITY. [REDACTED] advised he has come to know the appointee as an extremely intelligent, sincere, and honest individual. He has never known the appointee to exhibit any type of bias or prejudiced toward any individual, ethnic, or religious group. He has no reason to question the appointee's character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States Government. The appointee has never abused alcohol nor used any type of illegal narcotic substance in [REDACTED] presence. [REDACTED] advised he believes the appointee's lifestyle and spending habits to be consistent with his financial means. [REDACTED] advised he would highly recommend the appointee for a sensitive position of trust within the United States Government.

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ASSOCIATE:

On July 21, 1987, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Massachusetts, advised he knows the appointee professionally from his position as a Trustee on the board of BOSTON UNIVERSITY. [REDACTED] advised based upon his professional knowledge and association of the appointee, he believes him to be a man of high integrity, honest, and sincere. He advised he has no reason to question the appointee's character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States Government. Furthermore, he knows of no alcohol abuse nor illegal use of narcotics by the appointee. The appointee has never exhibited any type of bias or prejudice toward anyone in [REDACTED] presence. [REDACTED] advised he has no reason to believe the appointee's lifestyle and spending habits are inconsistent with his financial means. [REDACTED] advised he would highly recommend the appointee for a sensitive position of trust with the United States Government.


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ASSOCIATE:

On July 21, 1987, [redacted]  
[redacted], BOSTON UNIVERSITY, 775 Commonwealth Avenue,  
Boston, Massachusetts, advised he has known and worked with  
the appointee for the past ten years and during that time  
he has come to know the appointee as a very honest individual  
of high integrity and extreme sensitivity to people. [redacted]  
[redacted] advised he would highly recommend the appointee for  
a sensitive position of trust in the United States Government  
without reservation. He advised he has no reason to question  
the appointee's character, reputation, associates, or loyalty  
to the United States Government. Furthermore, he has no  
reason to believe the appointee's lifestyle and spending habits  
are inconsistent with his financial means. The appointee  
has never exhibited any type of bias or prejudice toward any  
individual, ethnic, or religious group in [redacted]  
presence. [redacted] has never know the appointee to abuse  
alcohol nor use any type of illegal narcotic substance.  
[redacted] advised, "I wish the United States Government had  
more individuals of Dr. SILBER's character in service."



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ASSOCIATE:

On July 21, 1987, [REDACTED] BOSTON UNIVERSITY, 145 Bay State Road, Boston, Massachusetts, advised he is professionally and socially familiar with the appointee and thinks very highly of him. He stated the appointee has the strongest character and one of the deepest commitments for the welfare and care of this country than anyone he has ever met. He advised he would highly recommend the appointee for a sensitive position of trust with the United States Government. He advised the appointee decides on their merits various issues that come up at the university. He further stated that a large aspect of the appointee's appeal is his fairness to all and his absolute commitment to professionalism. [REDACTED] advised he has never known the appointee to abuse alcohol nor use any type of illegal narcotic substance nor does he have any reason to question his character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States Government. He advised the appointee has never exhibited any type of bias or prejudice toward anyone in his presence and he has no reason to question the appointee's lifestyle and spending habits, mainly being inconsistent with his financial means. [REDACTED] advised he would recommend the appointee without reservation for a position of trust with the government.

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ASSOCIATE:

On July 21, 1987, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Massachusetts advised he is very familiar with the appointee and has known him for several years. He advised in fact he within the past two weeks went to the appointee's daughter's wedding at their house. [REDACTED] advised since he was interviewed in 1983 by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), nothing has occurred to change his opinion that he stated then concerning the appointee and continues to feels the appointee is one of the finest men he has ever known. [REDACTED] advised the appointee has never exhibited any type of biased or prejudice towards anyone in his presence and he has no reason to believe the appointee's lifestyle and spending habits are inconsistent with his financial means.

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ASSOCIATE:

On July 21, 1987, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that he has had the opportunity to observe Dr. SILBER during various board meetings at BOSTON UNIVERSITY and feels that the appointee is very capable, honest, and intelligent. [REDACTED] advised that he has no reason to question the appointee's character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States. He has never known the appointee to abuse alcohol nor use any type of narcotic substance nor has the appointee exhibited any type of biases or prejudices in [REDACTED] presence. [REDACTED] has never known the appointee's lifestyle and spending habits to be inconsistent with his financial means. [REDACTED] highly recommended the appointee for a position of trust with the United States Government.

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ASSOCIATE:

on July 21, 1987, [redacted]  
the Boston area, [redacted]  
[redacted] Boston, Massachusetts, advised he is familiar with the  
appointee through business dealings with the appointee while he  
[redacted] has been a trustee on the Board of Trustees of BOSTON  
UNIVERSITY. [redacted] described the appointee as highly  
intelligent, sincere, and very trustworthy. He has no reason to  
question the appointee's character, reputation, associates, or  
loyalty to the United States. Furthermore, he has never known  
the appointee to abuse alcohol nor use any type of illegal  
narcotic substance nor has he ever observed the appointee exhibit  
any type of bias or prejudice toward him. [redacted] advised the  
appointee's lifestyle and spending habits are quite consistent  
with his financial means. [redacted] highly recommended the  
appointee for a position of trust of a sensitive nature with the  
United States Government.


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ON JULY 21, 1987, JOHN L. EAVENSON, Vice Chairman of the Board, (retired) LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, Boston, Massachusetts, resident address 76 Ober Road, Newton, Massachusetts, advised that he is familiar with the appointee in view of the fact he has sat in on various board meetings as a Trustee of BOSTON UNIVERSITY. EAVENSON advised he feels the appointee is a very intelligent, sensitive, and totally dedicated individual. He has no reason to question the appointee's character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States Government. Furthermore, he has never known the appointee to abuse alcohol nor use any type of illegal narcotic substance. The appointee has never exhibited any type of bias or prejudice in his presence. Furthermore, he believes the appointee's lifestyle and spending habits to be consistent with his financial means. EAVENSON highly recommended the appointee for a position of trust with in the United States Government.



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On July 21, 1987, [redacted]

[redacted] Massachusetts, advised that she has been a member to the Board of Trustees for Boston University for approximately one and one-half years and has known the appointee through her work with the Alumni Association for approximately six years.

[redacted] described the appointee as intelligent, forceful, and courageous. She is someone who is enthusiastically in favor of him and his ideas for improving Boston University.

The appointee is truly and without qualification a thinking individual. The appointee is a strong supporter of some of the ideas of the current administration and enthusiastically supports those ideals that he believes in.

[redacted] advised that she is unaware of any reason to question the applicant's character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States.

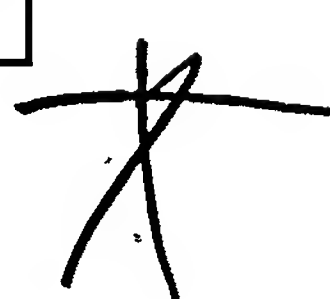
[redacted] advised that she knows of no alcohol abuse nor any use of illegal narcotics by the appointee.

[redacted] considers the applicant's lifestyle and spending habits to be consistent with his financial means.

[redacted] has never heard or seen the appointee express any biases or prejudices against any class of citizen, religious, racial, or ethnic group. The only bias that the appointee has is his bias towards incompetence.

When asked to recommend the appointee for a position of trust and responsibility to the United States Government, [redacted] responded that she believes it would be grand to see the appointee help the entire United States but does not want to see him leave Boston University.

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On July 21, 1987, ~~ESTHER B. KAHN~~, Freelance Writer, 1501 Beacon Street, Brookline, Massachusetts, advised that she has been on the Board of Trustees for Boston University for approximately two and one-half years. In addition to knowing the appointee from the Board of Trustees, KAHN's deceased husband, ALBERT S. KAHN, was on the faculty at Boston University and KAHN got to know the appointee socially since his arrival at Boston in the early 1970's.

KAHN considers the appointee to be brilliant, articulate, and aggressive. The appointee is a very goal-oriented individual and who also can be charming.

KAHN credits the appointee with having built a first-class educational institution at Boston University. It is KAHN's belief that the appointee has set an agenda for himself with regards to the institution but has not fully fulfilled that agenda yet.

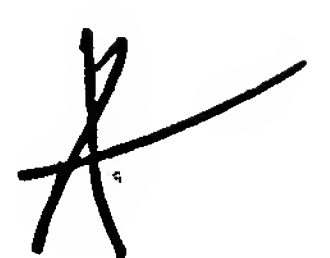
KAHN advised that she is unaware of any reason to question the appointee's character, reputation, associates or loyalty to the United States.

KAHN knows of no alcohol abuse nor any use of illegal narcotics by the appointee.

KAHN considers the appointee's lifestyle and spending habits to be consistent with his financial means.

KAHN is unaware of the appointee expressing or manifesting any biases or prejudices against any class of citizen, religious, racial, or ethnic group adding that he is probably one of the least prejudicial individuals you would ever want to meet.

KAHN recommends the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.



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On July 21, 1987 [redacted]

[redacted] Massachusetts, advised that he first met the appointee in 1979, has served on the Board of Trustees for Boston University since 1982 and was also interviewed regarding the appointee in August, 1983.

The appointee is described as a very outspoken and opinionated person who also is very persuasive in his point of view. The appointee is an extremely intelligent individual who possesses a wealth of knowledge and a dedicated patriot. [redacted] stated that the appointee has performed to his amazement with regards to his depth of knowledge on a very diversified spectrum. [redacted] considers the appointee to be truly a great man.

[redacted] advised that he is unaware of any reason to question the applicant's character, reputation, associates, or loyalty to the United States.

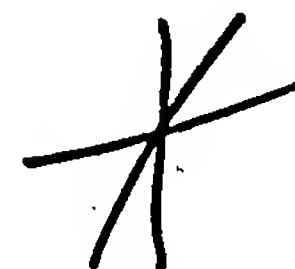
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[redacted] knows of no alcohol abuse nor any use of illegal narcotics by the appointee.

The appointee's lifestyle and spending habits are consistent with his financial means.

[redacted] has never heard or seen the appointee express or manifest any biases or prejudices against any class of citizen, religious, racial, or ethnic group. [redacted] added that the appointee mixes well with all people that he comes in contact with.

[redacted] advised that he recommends "without question" the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government adding that he is someone who will serve well.





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NEIGHBORHOOD

The following individuals were contacted in the vicinity of 132 Carlton Street, Brookline, Massachusetts. All persons contacted furnished favorable comments concerning the appointee and considered the appointee to be an individual of good character, reputation, integrity and loyalty to the United States. No one contacted knows of the appointee abusing alcohol or using illegal narcotics. Each individual considers the appointee's lifestyle and spending habits to be consistent with his financial means. No one knows of the appointee expressing or manifesting any biases or prejudices against any class of citizen, religious, racial, or ethnic group. Each individual recommended the appointee for a position of trust and responsibility with the United States Government:

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Carlton Street  
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Prescott Street

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CREDIT

On July 14, 1987, [REDACTED] Chilton Credit Reporting, 35 Braintree Hill Park, Braintree, Massachusetts, advised a review of the applicant's credit history records revealed no derogatory information is noted, and his credit standing is satisfactory.

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CRIMINAL HISTORY:

On July 14, 1987, Officer [REDACTED] Records  
Section, Boston, Massachusetts Police Department advised a review  
of records failed to locate any identifiable information  
pertaining to the appointee.

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CRIMINAL HISTORY

On July 20, 1987, [REDACTED] Records Department, Brookline Police Department, 350 Washington Street, Brookline, Massachusetts, advised that her files contain no record with regards to the following individuals:

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Appointee, his spouse, his children, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and his ward, [REDACTED]

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MISCELLANEOUS

United States Attorney's Office

On July 14, 1987, [redacted] Docket Clerk, Docket Section, United States Attorney's Office, Boston, Massachusetts advised that there is no indication that the appointee has been involved in a matter handled by the United States Attorney's Office (either criminal or civil, in closed or current files).

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Directorship

On July 14, 1987, DOCTOR ARTHUR G. B. METCALF, Chairman of the Board, and [redacted] Electronics Corporation of America, 265 Winter Street, Waltham, Massachusetts advised that the appointee is no longer a Director of the Company which was bought out by Rockwell International in October of 1985. They both stated that at that time the Board of Directors was dissolved as of October 15, 1986 and all outside memberships are no longer in existence. There further comments can be found within the reference section of this report.

Newspaper Morgue

On July 15, 1987, [redacted] Librarian, The Boston Herald, One Herald Square, Boston, Massachusetts advised that there were voluminous articles written concerning the appointee. He stated that there were none that were derogatory in nature but many that reflected audiologic differences.

On July 14, 1987 attempts to gain receipt of information from the Boston Globe were negative. The Boston Globe feels that they have no serialized library system and due to the voluminous requests from the FBI, it has forced them to curtail research due to the time constraints on their employees.



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JOHN ROBERT SILBERReport Made By  
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Butel, dated 7/11/87, to Alexandria, et al. and BStel, dated 7/15/87, to Director, et al.

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All individuals interviewed were advised of the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, and only those desiring such confidentiality are so noted.

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Field Office File #: 161A-8986

Bureau File #:

Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)

Synopsis: Associates interviewed and results favorable. Attempts to contact reference, PERCY E. SUTTON, have met with negative results.

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DETAILS:

Associate

On July 13, 1987, [redacted] New York City Public Library, Fifth Avenue and 42nd Street, New York (NY), NY, advised that he has known the appointee since 1968, when the appointee was the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Texas, Austin. He further advised that the appointee is a man of tremendous integrity, who enjoys a high intellectual prowess, and is one of the best educators in the country today. [redacted] stated that the appointee is articulate, rational, demanding at times, and extremely hardworking. He added that the appointee, despite having just one arm, is an avid painter, sailor, and a piano player. He stated that the appointee is in excellent physical condition, and that the appointee's only negative trait is that he may be a workaholic.

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[redacted] further stated that the appointee is trustworthy, honest and reliable, and that appointee does not associate with disreputable people. He stated that the appointee is a very loyal American, and that the appointee does not use illegal drugs or abuse alcohol. [redacted] stated that he has never heard the appointee express or manifest any bias or prejudice against any class of citizen, racial or ethnic group, or any form of religion. He added that the appointee does not live above his financial means and that the appointee has an extraordinary sense of high ethics. [redacted] strongly recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government. \*

On July 20, 1987, Mr. JULUIS BARNATHAN, President, Broadcast Operations and Engineering, CAP/ABC, 7 West 66th Street, New York, NY, advised that he has known the appointee for two years. He further advised that the appointee is a colleague of his on the Board of Directors of the NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, INCORPORATED (NCI, INC.). BARNATHAN described the appointee as a brilliant and a highly respected man, who is a

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leader in the education field. He stated tha the appointee is a honest, reliable, and trustworthy individual, and that the appointee does not use illegal drugs or abuse alcohol.

BARNATHAN added that he has no knowledge pertaining to the appointee's financial situation, social life, and associates. He stated that the appointee is a loyal American, and that he has never heard the appointee express or manifest any prejudice or bias against any class of citizen, racial or ethnic group, or any form of religion. BARNATHAN stated that the appointee enjoys an excellent reputation on the Board of Direcotrs of NCI, INC., and that he highly recommends the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government. \*

On July 20, 1987, [redacted]

[redacted] New York, NY, advised that he has known the appointee for one year. He further advised that he knows the appointee from serving on the Board of Directors of the NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, INCORPORATED. [redacted] described the appointee as straightforward, honorable, hardworking, and conscientious. He stated that the appointee is trustworthy, honest, reliable, and that the appointee does not seem to associate with disreputable people. b6 b7C

[redacted] further stated that the appointee does not use illegal drugs or abuse alcohol, and that the appointee is a loyal American. He added that the appointee has an outstanding reputation on the Board of Directors of NCI, INCORPORATED, and that he has never heard the appointee express or manifest any prejudice or bias against any class of citizen, racial or ethnic group, or any form of religion. He also stated that the appointee, to his knowledge, does not have a lifestyle or possess spending habits inconsistent with his means. [redacted] highly recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government. \*

#### Reference

Numerous attempts to contact Mr. PERCY E. SUTTON,



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Chairman, WBLS-FM Radio Station, 801 Second Avenue, New York, NY,  
have met with negative results.

Several messages left with SUTTON's secretary, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] have not been answered nor has any calls been returned.

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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: 7/24/87.

RE BUREAU TEL TO ALL OFFICES DATED 7/10/87.

HOUSTON INDICES CONTAIN NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH AP-  
POINTEE OR APPOINTEE'S CLOSE RELATIVES OTHER THAN PRIOR SPIN INVES-  
TIGATION CONDUCTED IN AUGUST, 1986.

GENERAL INDICES SEARCH CONDUCTED BY IA [REDACTED] ON 7/16/87.

CONFIDENTIAL INDICES SEARCH WAS CONDUCTED BY CONFIDENTIAL FILE  
CLERK [REDACTED] ON 7/15/87.

ELSUR INDICES SEARCH WAS CONDUCTED BY ASSISTANT ELSUR COORDI-  
NATOR [REDACTED] ON 7/16/87.

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FM JACKSONVILLE (161A-R-610) (RUC)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN(A), BUDED: 7-24-87

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES 7-10-87.

JACKSONVILLE GENERAL INDICES (IA [REDACTED])

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN(A), BUDED 7/24/87; OO: BUREAU

RE BUREAU TEL TO ALL OFFICES, JULY 10, 1987.

SACRAMENTO GENERAL INDICES REFLECT PREVIOUS INDICES CHECK RE  
APPOINTEE IN AUGUST, 1983. GENERAL INDICES NEGATIVE RE RELATIVES  
AND BUSINESS ENTITY. SACRAMENTO SPECIAL AND ELSUR INDICES

SEARCHED BY [REDACTED] AND COMPUTERIZED INDICES SEARCHED BY [REDACTED]  
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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN, BUDED: 7/24/87

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, DATED JULY 11, 1987.

LOS ANGELES GENERAL INDICES [REDACTED] JULY 15,

1987, CONFIDENTIAL INDICES [REDACTED] JULY 16, 1987) AND

ELSUR INDICES [REDACTED] JULY 14, 1987) ALL NEGATIVE REGARDING

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TITLE OF CASE JOHN ROBERT SILBER		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY nb
		CHARACTER OF CASE SPIN (A)	

REFERENCE

Austin teletype dated 7/17/87;  
Newark report dated 7/22/87.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Where appropriate, Privacy Act (3) (e) data was furnished to persons interviewed. Express promises of confidentiality, both limited and unlimited, have been noted where granted.

Newark general indices, Elsur and ISIS negative regarding appointee, and associate.

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Date: July 24, 1987

Office: Newark, New Jersey

Field Office File #: NK 161A-3598

Bureau File #:

Title: JOHN ROBERT SILBER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)

## Synopsis:

On 7/23/87, WARREN H. SIMMONS, JR., Director, NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE, INCORPORATED (NCI), 600 Alexander Road, Suite 2-C, Princeton, New Jersey highly recommended the appointee for a position of trust with the United States government.

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DETAILSACQUAINTANCE

On July 23, 1987, WARREN H. SIMMONS, JR., Director, NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE (NCI), 600 Alexander Road, Suite 2-C, Princeton, New Jersey advised Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] that he has known the appointee for approximately one year as a member of the board of the NCI, a non-profit organization which supports closed CAPTIONING for the hearing impaired.

The appointee's friends and associates are all upstanding citizens in the professional community, many of whom support and serve in some capacity the NCI.

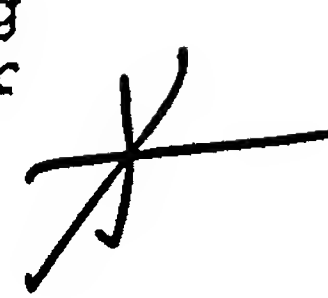
SIMMONS advised that he has no knowledge of the appointee having any use of drugs or abuse of alcohol. In fact, one of the platforms that the appointee staunchly supports is the fight against drug abuse. SIMMONS further advised that the appointee is

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man of strong convictions and loyalties. The appointee is loyal to the government of the United States and has never given SIMMONS reason to believe otherwise.

The appointee is not extravagant, and based upon what SIMMONS knows of him, SIMMONS feels that the appointee lives within his financial means.

SIMMONS pointed out that he could think of nothing derogatory about the appointee and highly recommends him for a position of trust and confidence with the United States government.



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TO ACTING DIRECTOR IMMEDIATE

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ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035.

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: 7/24/87.

RE BUREAU TEL TO ALL FBI FIELD OFFICES DATED 7/10/87.

A CHECK OF THE SALT LAKE CITY GENERAL INDICES BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SECURITY COMPLAINT ASSISTANT, ON 7/13/87; ELSUR INDICES

BY [REDACTED] ELSUR CLERK, ON 7/17/87; AND INFORMANT

INDICES BY [REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL CLERK, ON 7/17/87,

REFLECTED NOTHING IDENTIFIABLE WITH APPOINTEE, CLOSE RELATIVES,

COHABITANTS, OR BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS.

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FROM: SAC, WFO (161-A-16915), (A-1), (RUC)  
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
ROOM, 5161  
SPIN UNIT

JOHN ROBERT SILBER  
SPIN (A)  
BUDED: July 24, 1987

REFERENCED BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FBI FIELD  
OFFICES, DATED July 10, 1987.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH REQUEST CONTAINED IN REFERENCED  
TELETYPE THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

INDICES SEARCHED <u>July 23, 1987</u>	BY CLERK	SA		
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NO IDENTIFIABLE RECORD OBTAINED.

WFO indices, CFR indices and Elsur indices contain  
no additional information since previous SPIN investigation in  
August, 1983.

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R 232205Z JUL 87

FM CINCINNATI (161A-R-809) (RUC)

TO ACTING DIRECTOR ROUTINE

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED JULY 24, 1987

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, JULY 11,  
1987.

CINCINNATI OFFICE GENERAL INDICES (IA [REDACTED])

[REDACTED]; CONFIDENTIAL INDICES [REDACTED], AND ELSUR

INDICES [REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE RE CANDIDATE,

CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS, AND BUSINESS ENTITY, ON

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FM MIAMI (161B-2195) (RUC)

TO ACTING DIRECTOR PRIORITY

(ATTN: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN(A), BUDED: 7/24/87.

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, 7/10/87.

MIAMI GENERAL INDICES WERE CHECKED BY [REDACTED] AND

[REDACTED]

A REFERENCE WAS FOUND ON A [REDACTED] IN MIAMI FILE 12A-523 ENTITLED "SNOWTRAIL - NARCOTICS". MIAMI IS UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH APPLICANT'S RELATIVE WITHOUT MORE IDENTIFYING DATA.

CONFIDENTIAL INDICES WERE CHECKED BY [REDACTED] AND ELSUR  
INDICES BY [REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE RE: CANDIDATE AND  
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FM: SAC, SAN JUAN (161A-518) (RUC)

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (ROUTINE)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: 7/24/87.

REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES DATED 7/10/87.

THE FOLLOWING LISTED INDICES AND MAJOR DATA BANKS WERE SEARCHED  
IN REFERENCE TO THE APPOINTEE, CLOSE RELATIVES AND PRESENT BUSINESS  
ESTABLISHMENT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. LISTED BELOW ARE THE SAN JUAN  
OFFICE PERSONNEL WHO CONDUCTED THESE SEARCHES:

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FM PHOENIX (161B-1375) (RUC)

TO DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: 7/24/87.

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, 7/11/87.

PHOENIX GENERAL INDICES

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AND ELSUR INDICES

ALL NEGATIVE RE

CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS AND BUSINESS ENTITY ON 7/22/87.

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FM EL PASO (161A-413-1049)

TO ACTING DIRECTOR (IMMEDIATE)

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: 7/24/87

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL FIELD OFFICES, JULY 10, 1987.

EL PASO DIVISION ELSUR AND SECURE INDICES

[REDACTED] AND GENERAL INDICES (IA [REDACTED])

FAILED TO REFLECT ANY INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE

WITH APPOINTEE AND RELATIVES ON JULY 13, 1987, AND JULY 23, 1987,

RESPECTIVELY.

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DE KC #0010 2042308

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P 232256Z JUL 87

FM KANSAS CITY (161-0-232B)(SQ 4)

TO ACTING DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN(A), BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, JULY 10, 1987.

KANSAS CITY GENERAL, CONFIDENTIAL, ELSUR INDICES AND FOIMS  
NEGATIVE RE CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY, CO-HABITANTS AND BUSINESS  
ENTITY EXCEPT AS NOTED BELOW.

SEARCHES MADE AS FOLLOWS: FOIMS AND GENERAL ON JULY 13,  
1987, BY [REDACTED] ELSUR ON JULY 14, 1987, [REDACTED]  
CONFIDENTIAL ON JULY 15, 1987, BY [REDACTED]

KANSAS CITY GENERAL INDICES REVEALED KC 161-0-232A AS  
BEING IDENTICAL WITH CAPTIONED. SILBER CANDIDATE OF SPECIAL  
INQUIRY IN AUG., 1983. KANSAS CITY INDICES NEGATIVE AT THAT

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R 231950Z JUL 87

FM PORTLAND (161-742-202) RUC

TO DIRECTOR ROUTINE

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035.

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, JULY 10, 1987.

PORTLAND GENERAL INDICES, CONFIDENTIAL INDICES AND ELSUR INDICES  
ALL NEGATIVE REGARDING APPOINTEE, CLOSE FAMILY, CO-HABITANTS AND  
BUSINESS ENTITY, AS SEARCHED BY FILE CLERK [REDACTED] ON  
JULY 15, 1987.

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FM NEW HAVEN (161A-3087) (P)

TO ACTING DIRECTOR (IMMEDIATE)

ATTN: [REDACTED]

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: 7-24-87.

RE: BS TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU 7-17-87.

DETAILS

ASSOCIATES

ON 7-23-87, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD, HARTFORD, CT,

ADVISED HE HAS BEEN ACQUAINTED WITH APPOINTEE

FOR APPROXIMATELY 16 YEARS. HE EXPLAINED THAT

16 YEARS AGO HE HAD BEEN [REDACTED]

OF BOSTON UNIVERSITY AND APPOINTEE HAD BEEN INVITED

TO THAT UNIVERSITY TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE POSITION

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OUT, DERIVED AT LOGICALLY, AND PRESENTED IN A VERY HONEST AND STRAIGHT FORWARD MANNER. WHEN THE DECISION HAS BEEN MADE, HE BACKS IT UP WITH VIGOR AND AGGRESSIVENESS BUT NOT TO THE POINT OF BEING OVERBEARING OR OBNOXIOUS. APPOINTEE IS VERY ARTICULATE AND PRESENTS HIS ARGUMENTS ON ANY SUBJECT WITH LOGIC WHICH IS PRESENTED WITH "MATHEMATICAL CAPACITY."

[REDACTED] FURTHER DESCRIBED APPOINTEE AS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS WELL REGARDED BY HIS PEERS AND SUBORDINATES AND ONE WHO HAS EXHIBITED TREMENDOUS LOYALTY TO HIM AS A FRIEND AS WELL AS A PROFESSIONAL ALL THESE YEARS. HE HAS NEVER HAD REASON TO BELIEVE OR SUSPECT DRUG INVOLVEMENT, ALCOHOL ABUSE, OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF CHARACTER DEFECT WHICH WOULD CAUSE HIM TO EVEN HESITATE IN WHOLEHEARTEDLY RECOMMENDING HIM FOR A SENSITIVE POSITION OF TRUST AND CONFIDENCE. HE IS AN EXCELLENT FAMILY MAN WHO HAS SEVERAL CHILDREN AND TWO ADOPTED CHILDREN. HIS INTEGRITY, LOYALTY, MORAL CHARACTER, DISCRETION, AND JUDGEMENT ARE OF THE HIGHEST CALIBER AND [REDACTED] RECOMMENDED HIM WITHOUT ANY RESERVATIONS FOR ANY SENSITIVE POSITION FOR WHICH HE

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IS BEING CONSIDERED. BELIEVING THAT APPOINTEE WOULD BE A  
CREDIT TO THIS COUNTRY AND WOULD PERFORM HIS DUTIES IN A  
MOST CAPABLE, THOROUGH, AND LOGICAL MANNER.

ABOVE INDIVIDUAL WAS ADVISED THE PROVISIONS OF PRIVACY  
ACT AND DID NOT REQUEST CONFIDENTIALITY.

FOR INFO. OF THE BUREAU [REDACTED] OF THE LAW  
FIRM OF [REDACTED] HARTFORD, CT, IS  
EXPECTED TO RETURN THIS DATE FROM OUT OF THE COUNTRY AND  
AS SOON AS HIS INTERVIEW IS COMPLETED, AN IMMEDIATE TELETYPE  
WILL BE FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

ON THE DATES INDICATED THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS CHECKED  
THE INDICES OF THE NH DIVISION WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS: 7-12-87,  
GENERAL INDICES [REDACTED] 7-20-87, FOIMS [REDACTED],  
7-20-87, SPECIAL INDICES [REDACTED]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>CHARLOTTE</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUREAU</b>	DATE <b>7/26/87</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>7/21/87</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>JOHN ROBERT SILBER;</b>		REPORT MADE BY SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	TYPED BY <b>vd1</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SPECIAL INQUIRY</b>	

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Boston teletype to Charlotte, 7/17/87.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Results of searches submitted in Charlotte teletype dated 7/14/87.

Individuals contacted were apprised of the provisions of the Privacy Act and did not request confidentiality.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						<input type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	PRETRIAL DIVERSION	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES			
								PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
								PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

APPROVED:  SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

Report of:

SA [REDACTED]

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CHARLOTTE

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July 26, 1987

Field Office File #: CE 161A-2452

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Title:

JOHN ROBERT SILBER

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Character:

Synopsis:

Dr. EDWARD C. MERRILL, JR., Asheville, North Carolina, has known appointee for approximately ten to twelve years. He became acquainted with him through his work for the NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE. Both appointee and Dr. MERRILL are on the Board of Directors, and Dr. MERRILL is on the Executive Committee. Dr. MERRILL described the appointee as being very intelligent, and a person who does what he thinks is correct, regardless of public opinion. Appointee is extremely articulate, and has an excellent character, and Dr. MERRILL recommended him for a Presidential appointment.

[REDACTED] North Carolina, described appointee as a tough, first class administrator. [REDACTED] stated that the appointee's integrity is absolutely without question. He would recommend appointee without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

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DETAILS:

ASSOCIATES

On July 21, 1987, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] North Carolina, advised that he has been a friend and associate of JOHN ROBERT SILBER for approximately three years. [REDACTED] advised that he has several connections with Boston University and through those connections he has met Mr. SILBER and they have become good friends. He stated they have developed a very close relationship on a professional and personal basis.

[REDACTED] advised that the appointee, who has been the President of Boston University for approximately 12-15 years, has done a tremendous job there. When he took over that position the endowment had fallen off and he was able to bring it back alive and now the endowment is way up.

[REDACTED] described the appointee as a tough, first class administrator. He stated that he may be considered controversial in some areas because of the fact that he speaks his mind. However, he usually knows what he is talking about and therefore has earned the respect and admiration of those who know him. He is a fine man with a very gracious and lovely wife.

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[REDACTED] stated that the appointee's integrity is absolutely without question. He is a good family man who is awfully conservative. He does not abuse alcohol or use any kind of controlled substance. He is a loyal American citizen and a fine individual in every respect.

[REDACTED] advised that the appointee has told him that he is thinking about taking a leave of absence from the University and take some position with the U.S. Government. He stated that he would recommend him without any reservations whatsoever for a position of trust and confidence.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED] on July 21, 1987:

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AT ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

Dr. EDWARD C. MERRILL, JR., 34 Saunooke Road, stated that the appointee is considered a "national figure." He has been President of BOSTON UNIVERSITY in Boston, Massachusetts, and is widely recognized as being an intellectual.

The appointee is a strong-minded individual, who does what he thinks is correct, regardless of public opinion. As an example, Dr. MERRILL noted some students complained about the loud noise made by stereo radio equipment in the dormitories at BOSTON UNIVERSITY. The appointee thereupon banned their use.

According to Dr. MERRILL, the appointee is a "typical independent thinker." He strongly feels that students come to college primarily to study.

Both the appointee and Dr. MERRILL have been active participants in the operation of the NATIONAL CAPTIONING INSTITUTE (NCI), which is headquartered in Falls Church, Virginia. According to Dr. MERRILL, the purpose of NCI is to support closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

Both Dr. MERRILL and the appointee are on the Board of Directors of NCI, and through that position, Dr. MERRILL first became acquainted with the appointee. Additionally, Dr. MERRILL is on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors.

The Board meets five or six times a year, so Dr. MERRILL sees the appointee on a fairly regular basis.

The appointee has done an excellent job managing BOSTON UNIVERSITY. When he first became President, the University was experiencing financial problems, which the appointee rectified.

The appointee is extremely articulate, with Dr. MERRILL stating, "He has his head screwed on right."

Although his right arm is deformed, this disability does not faze the appointee. He is a very outgoing individual.



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Dr. MERRILL has no knowledge that the appointee uses drugs, or abuses alcohol. He cautioned that he is not in regular contact with the appointee, since his knowledge of the appointee primarily is limited to the few NCI Board Meetings.

To the best of his knowledge, the appointee lives within his financial means.

Dr. MERRILL was the President of GALLAUDET UNIVERSITY in Washington, D. C., for fourteen years. GALLAUDET is known as the University for students who have a hearing impairment. The appointee gave a speech at GALLAUDET about two years ago, and Dr. MERRILL said it was the best speech he had ever heard regarding hearing disability.

Dr. MERRILL vouched for the appointee's character and loyalty, and highly recommended him for a position of trust with the UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.



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TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 1B035

JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A), BUDED: 7/24/87

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES DATED JULY 10, 1987.

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[REDACTED] AND CONFIDENTIAL INDICES [REDACTED]

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BUSINESS ENTITY ON JULY 15, 1987.

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FM NEW HAVEN (161A-3087) (RUC)

TO ACTING DIRECTOR (IMMEDIATE)

ATTN: [REDACTED]

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: 7-24-87

RE: HARTFORD TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, 7-24-87..

DETAILS

ORGANIZATION

ON 7-27-87, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CT,

ADVISED HE HAS BEEN ACQUAINTED WITH APPOINTEE  
FOR AT LEAST 2 1/2 YRS. HE EXPLAINED THAT HE  
HAD BEEN CHAIRMAN OF AN ORGANIZATION TITLED THE  
CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS

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BUT THIS WAS REORGANIZED AND THE NAME WAS CHANGED TO THE CENTER FOR DEMOCRACY HEADQUARTERED IN WASHINGTON D.C. ON 1-1-85. THE ORGANIZATION IS COMPRISED OF DEMOCRATS, REPUBLICANS, AND BIPARTISAN.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH

[REDACTED] THE UNIVERSITY

OF HARTFORD, HARTFORD, CT, AND THROUGH HIM HE BECAME ACQUAINTED WITH APPOINTEE WHO WAS THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOSTON UNIVERSITY. BOSTON UNIVERSITY WAS SEEKING AFFILIATION WITH THE CENTER FOR DEMOCRACY AND HE HAD MET WITH APPOINTEE ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS. HE BELIEVES APPOINTEE HAS PERFORMED TREMENDOUSLY IN UPGRADING THE STANDARDS OF BOSTON UNIVERSITY AND HE REGARDS HIM AS A VERY INTELLIGENT, ACTIVE, AND OUTSPOKEN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS TOTALLY HONEST AND FORTHRIGHT. APPOINTEE IS A VERY LOGICAL, LEVEL HEADED, AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL WHO DOES NOT MAKE RASH CONCLUSIONS AND ALL HIS POSITIONS ARE WELL THOUGHT OUT, WELL EXPRESSED, AND ARE FIRM. HE IS VERY EFFECTIVE AND IS A LEADER IN

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THE FIELD OF EDUCATION. HE REGARDS HIM AS AN INTENSELY LOYAL INDIVIDUAL TO AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS AND DEMOCRACY AND HIS LOYALTY, INTEGRITY, JUDGEMENT, AND STABILITY ARE OF THE HIGHEST CALIBER.


HE HAS BECOME WELL ACQUAINTED WITH APPOINTEE FOR THE PAST 2 1/2 YRS AND IN HIS ROLE AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, HE MEETS WITH APPOINTEE AT LEAST ONCE QUARTERLY AND COMMUNICATES WITH HIM REGULARLY BY TELEPHONE. HE IS ACTIVELY INVOLVED WITH BOSTON AS A COMMUNITY AND ESPECIALLY IN THE INTEREST OF BS UNIVERSITY AS PART OF THE CENTER FOR DEMOCRACY. HE HAS SOCIALIZED WITH APPOINTEE AND HIS FAMILY AND CONSIDERS HIM AN EXCELLENT FAMILY MAN AND ONE'S WHO MORAL CHARACTER AND REPUTATION ARE ABOVE REPROACH AND ARE OF THE HIGHEST CALIBER. HE HAS NEVER HAD REASON TO BELIEVE OR EVEN SUSPECT ALCOHOL ABUSE, DRUG INVOLVEMENT OR ANY OTHER MORAL CHARACTER DEFECT WHICH WOULD CAUSE HIM TO EVEN HESITATE IN RECOMMENDING HIM FOR ANY SENSITIVE POSITION. [ ] STATED THAT HAVING BEEN

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[ ] OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY NATIONAL CAMPAIGN UNDER PRESIDENT CARTER HE IS WELL AWARE OF THE REQUIREMENTS

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FOR SENSITIVE POSITIONS IN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND NOTHING HAS EVER COME TO HIS ATTENTION REGARDING THE APPOINTEE EITHER THROUGH DIRECT KNOWLEDGE OR HEARSAY WHICH HE BELIEVES IF IT BECAME PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE WOULD PROVE EMBARRASSING TO APPOINTEE, HIS FAMILY, OR ADMINISTRATION OR THE POSITION FOR WHICH HE IS BEING CONSIDERED. HE BELIEVES THAT APPOINTEE WOULD BE AN ASSET TO ANY POSITION FOR WHICH HE IS BEING CONSIDERED, AND HE WOULD PERFORM ALL HIS DUTIES IN A MOST CAPABLE, DEDICATED, CONSCIENTIOUS, AND COMMENDABLE MANNER. HE CONCLUDED BY RECOMMENDING HIM WHOLE HEARTEDLY.



WAS ADVISED OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVACY ACT AND DID NOT REQUEST CONFIDENTIALITY.

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To: FRFHQ, Att'l  
From: Cleveland, Rm. 1000  
Subject: John Robert Silber  
SPIN A

Date: 7/27/87

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ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN ROOM 1B035

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A); BUDED: 7/24/87

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, JULY 13, 1987.

CLEVELAND GENERAL INDICES, AUTOMATED CHECKED BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MANUAL CHECKED BY [REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL

INDICES CHECKED BY [REDACTED] AND ELSUR INDICES CHECKED

BY [REDACTED] ALL WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS REGARDING APPOINTEE,

CLOSE RELATIVES, AND BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT ON JULY 15, 1987.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALEXANDRIA, ET AL, DATED JULY 10, 1987,  
BOSTON TEL TO DIRECTOR, DATED JULY 17, 1987 AND NY REPORT TO  
DIRECTOR, DATED JULY 23, 1987.

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ON JULY 15, 1987, NYO GENERAL INDICES WERE CHECKED BY SUPPORT  
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SUBJECT OF A PREVIOUS SPIN INVESTIGATION, NY FILE 161-8986. THE CHECK ALSO REVEALED NOTHING IDENTIFIABLE WITH THE CANDIDATE'S FAMILY, REFERENCES OR ASSOCIATES.

ON JULY 14, 1987, NYO CIFU INDICES WERE CHECKED BY SUPPORT EMPLOYEE [REDACTED] AND REVEALED NOTHING IDENTIFIABLE WITH THE APPOINTEE OR THE APPOINTEE'S FAMILY, REFERENCES OR ASSOCIATES.

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A); BUDED: PAST

RE ACTING DIRECTOR TEL TO ALL FIELD OFFICES, JULY 10, 1987;  
FBIHQ FD-488 DATED JULY 29, 1987.

BH GENERAL, CONFIDENTIAL AND ELSUR INDICES NEGATIVE RE  
APPOINTEE, CLOSE RELATIVES AND BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT.

BH ELSUR INDICES SEARCHED BY FA [REDACTED] ON JULY 29,  
1987; BH CONFIDENTIAL INDICES SEARCHED BY FA [REDACTED] JULY  
29, 1987; BH GENERAL INDICES SEARCHED BY IA [REDACTED] JULY  
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TO ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI / PRIORITY

(ATTN: [REDACTED])

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JOHN ROBERT SILBER; SPIN (A); BUDED: JULY 24, 1987 WITHOUT  
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RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, JULY 10, 1987.

BUFFALO GENERAL INDICES, [REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL

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ALL NEGATIVE RE: CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS AND  
BUSINESS ENTITY, ON JULY 13, 1987.

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1 - Mr. De La Rosa  
1 - Mrs. [REDACTED]

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BY COURIER

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Honorable Arthur B. Culvahouse, Jr.  
Counsel to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Culvahouse:

In accordance with a request received from you on July 9, 1987, a background investigation was initiated concerning Dr. John Robert Silber. Transmitted herewith is a summary memorandum containing the results of this investigation.

A background investigation was conducted concerning Dr. Silber in 1983 and an expanded name check was also completed on him in October, 1984, the results of which have been previously provided to you. The enclosed summary memorandum covers the period since August, 1983. This summary memorandum also contains information dating back prior to 1983 concerning a disorderly conduct arrest of one of Dr. Silber's relatives. This information was not previously provided to you because FBI policy at that time did not include searching the names of an appointee's relatives through FBI Identification Division records.

A request for a check of the records of the Central Intelligence Agency was made at the outset of this inquiry, but to date the results have not been received. Also, additional inquiries are being conducted concerning information contained in FBI files concerning Dr. Silber. We will forward the results of the above-mentioned inquiries to you when that information is made available.

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Sincerely yours,

Floyd I. Clarke  
Assistant Director  
Criminal Investigative Division

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Honorable Arthur B. Culvahouse, Jr.

NOTE: Dr. Silber is currently employed as President of Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts. He is being investigated for an unspecified Presidential appointment, which requires Senate confirmation. Investigation revealed information contained in FBI files indicating Dr. Silber was alleged to have been involved in political corruption with the former Mayor of Boston. Investigation by the FBI failed to substantiate the allegation. This matter was coordinated with SSA [redacted] Public Corruption Unit, CID, by [redacted] SPIN Unit, CID, on July 28, 1987, and July 29, 1987. An FBI Identification Record was also located concerning one of Dr. Silber's [redacted] indicating he was arrested in 1972 for disorderly conduct.

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THE INVESTIGATION OF DR. SILBER COVERED INQUIRIES AS TO HIS CHARACTER, LOYALTY, AND GENERAL STANDING, BUT NO INQUIRIES WERE MADE AS TO THE SOURCES OF HIS INCOME.

The information in this summary memorandum covers the period since August, 1983, and also contains arrest information dating back prior to 1983 concerning one of Dr. Silber's relatives. Dr. Silber was born August 15, 1926, in San Antonio, Texas.

Employment

Since August, 1983, Dr. Silber has continued to be employed as President of Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts. He also serves as a member of the Board of Trustees of Boston University.

Family Status

Dr. Silber is married to the former Mary Kathryn Underwood, who he has indicated is a United States citizen. Dr. and Mrs. Silber, their daughters, [redacted]

[redacted] and a ward, [redacted] reside at 132 Carlton Street, Brookline, Massachusetts.

Dr. Silber's father, Paul George Silber, is deceased. In addition to those individuals listed above, Dr. Silber has listed the following living close relatives:

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Mother

Jewell Zemary Joslin  
San Antonio, Texas

Son

David Joslin Silber  
New York, New York

Brother

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San Antonio, Texas

Ward

[redacted] New Jersey

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Based on the background information furnished by Dr. Silber, he has no close relatives residing in communist-controlled countries.

### Interviews

Thirty-eight persons, consisting of current and former subordinates and colleagues, neighbors, references, professional associates, and social acquaintances, were interviewed. They advised Dr. Silber is a loyal American whose character, reputation, and associates are above reproach. They stated they are unaware of any illegal drug use or alcohol abuse by Dr. Silber, nor have they ever known him to exhibit any type of bias or prejudice against any class of citizen or any type of religious, racial or ethnic group. One of Dr. Silber's subordinates described him as an extremely kind and considerate employer who has an employee's interest at heart. She also commented that Dr. Silber is one of the most honest, trustworthy and sincere individuals she has ever met. A professional associate stated that Dr. Silber is a man of very deep moral conviction, and he described him as conscientious, patriotic and a good family man. A colleague stated that Dr. Silber possesses outstanding intellectual and leadership capabilities, and he characterized him as an extraordinary individual with great talents. An associate stated that he has the utmost confidence in Dr. Silber's discretion, integrity and moral character, and he described him as a very principled individual who possesses high ethical standards. They all recommended him for a position of trust and responsibility.

Among those interviewed are the following:

Warren H. Simmons, Jr., Director, National Captioning Institute, interviewed in Princeton, New Jersey;

Arthur G. B. Metcalf, Chairman of the Board of Directors, The Electronics Corporation of America, Waltham, Massachusetts;

[redacted] The Boston University  
Medical Center, Boston, Massachusetts;

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[redacted] Massachusetts,  
and member of the Board of Trustees, Boston University, Boston,  
Massachusetts;



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[redacted] Boston University,  
Boston, Massachusetts; and

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[redacted] Massachusetts, and a member of the Board of Trustees,  
Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts.

#### Credit and Arrest Checks

Information has been received from an appropriate credit reporting agency indicating its files contain no pertinent information concerning Dr. Silber.

Information has been received from appropriate law enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record concerning Dr. Silber.

#### Security Clearances

Dr. Silber holds an active top secret clearance granted to him in January, 1987, by the Department of Defense in connection with his participation on the Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee.

#### Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Dr. Silber:

Office of Personnel Management;  
Defense Central Index of Investigations;  
Defense Industrial Security Clearance Office;  
Department of Defense;  
Public Integrity Section and appropriate  
United States Attorneys,  
Department of Justice;  
and the United States Secret Service.

Information has been received from the White House Office indicating that Dr. Silber was nominated to be a member of the Advisory Board for Radio Broadcasting to Cuba on April 17, 1985.

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Searches of the various indices of the FBI, including but not limited to the central index maintained at FBI Headquarters, the index of the Identification Division, the indices of all field offices and other appropriate computer data bases, did not identify any documents that contain pertinent information identifiable with Dr. Silber or his close relatives, except for the attached FBI Identification Record concerning a disorderly conduct arrest on an individual who appears to be identical to one of Dr. Silber's [redacted] and the following:

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In\*September, 1986, the FBI initiated a criminal investigation based on accusations that the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company (JHMLIC), Boston, Massachusetts, was pressured by former Boston Mayor Kevin H. White into making a four million dollar corporate gift to Boston University in exchange for the partial nullification of a development agreement between JHMLIC and the City of Boston. This agreement originally provided for both the demolition of a JHMLIC building, once the John Hancock Tower was completed, and the eventual construction of a public park at that site. It was further alleged that former Mayor White would only approve this change if JHMLIC made a four million dollar gift to the School of Engineering of Boston University, which was then under construction. Investigation revealed that JHMLIC did, in fact, make a four and one-half million dollar contribution to Boston University in 1983, and a review of various records has confirmed that JHMLIC was able to have the development agreement changed.

The investigation also determined that Mayor White and Dr. Silber had a long-standing personal relationship. Also, Dr. Silber was alleged to have engaged in strong-arm tactics among Boston University administrators in order to raise campaign funds for former Mayor White during his re-election campaigns. FBI files further indicate that, after former Mayor White left office during January, 1984, Boston

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University hired him as a professor and it also hired several of his political aides. In addition, Dr. Silber personally hired former Mayor White's [ ] many years ago as a paid part-time consultant.

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In May, 1987, this matter was presented to the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Massachusetts, Boston, Massachusetts, which declined prosecution due to lack of evidence to substantiate and prove a Federal violation.

Additional inquiries concerning information contained in FBI files concerning Dr. Silber have not yet been completed.

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SECTION CHIEF [REDACTED] TO ASAC LARRY A. POTTS ON 7/30/87;					
AND BUAIRTEL TO ALL SACS DATED 3/20/87 CAPTIONED, "EXPANDING					
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION {BI} INTERVIEWS TO INCLUDE QUESTIONS					
REGARDING FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND PRIOR APPLICATION FOR					
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AND RESULTS FURNISHED IN REFERENCED BOSTON AIRTEL,  
DATED 7/16/87." FURTHER, THE BOSTON REPORT {PAGE 32} NOTES  
THAT THE LIBRARY AT THE BOSTON HERALD NOTED THAT ALTHOUGH  
VOLUMINOUS ARTICLES HAVE BEEN WRITTEN CONCERNING THE APPOINTEE,  
NONE WERE DEROGATORY IN NATURE.

INDICES SEARCHES AT FBIHQ HAVE DETERMINED THAT BOSTON  
FILES 194C-420 AND 194C-450 CONTAIN DETAILS OF ALLEGATIONS THAT  
SILBER WAS INVOLVED IN POSSIBLY CORRUPT PRACTICES INVOLVING  
FORMER MAYOR KEVIN H. WHITE, THE JOHN HANCOCK MUTUAL LIFE  
INSURANCE COMPANY AND BOSTON UNIVERSITY. IT IS ALSO ALLEGED  
THAT SILBER ENGAGED IN STRONG-ARM TACTICS AMONG BOSTON  
UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATORS IN ORDER TO RAISE CAMPAIGN FUNDS FOR  
MAYOR WHITE.

BOSTON IS REQUESTED TO ENSURE THAT THE FOLLOWING LEADS ARE  
COVERED AND THE RESULTS RECEIVED AT FBIHQ BY COB THURSDAY,  
8/6/87:

{1} FURNISH A COPY OF THE REFERENCED BOSTON AIRTEL OF  
7/16/87 NOT PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED BY FBIHQ. SPECIFICALLY,  
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THEREAFTER, REPORT THE SPECIFIC DETAILS OF THE SEARCHES CONDUCTED IN RESPONSE TO THIS COMMUNICATION. IF ANY INFORMATION CONTAINED IN BOSTON FILES PERTAINING TO APPOINTEE FALLS WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF RULE 6(E) OF THE FEDERAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURES, PLEASE ADVISE. THEREAFTER, THOROUGHLY REVEIW THE ORIGINAL INDICES CHECKS AND EXPLAIN THE NEGATIVE RESPONSE REFLECTED IN BOSTON REPORT.

{2} MIOG 17-6.13 SETS FORTH REQUIREMENTS TO CHECK NEWSPAPER MORGUES. REVIEW THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLES LOCATED AT THE BOSTON HERALD, AS WELL AS ANY ARTICLES LOCATED IN BUFILES, AND SUBMIT COPIES OF ALL ARTICLES IDENTIFYING ISSUES REGARDING APPOINTEE.

{3} FURNISH THE FULL DETAILS OF THE INTERVIEW CONDUCTED OF THE APPOINTEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH MIOG 17-5.6{1} AND THE REFERENCED 3/20/87 BUAIRTEL. SPECIFICALLY SET FORTH QUESTIONS ASKED DURING THAT INTERVIEW TO IDENTIFY OTHER ISSUES THAT COULD DEVELOP DURING THE INVESTIGATION AND THE APPOINTEE'S RESPONSES.

SAC, BOSTON, IS REQUESTED BY COB 8/12/87 TO SPECIFICALLY RECOMMEND WHETHER OR NOT ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION IS WARRANTED WITH REGARD TO THE FOLLOWING:

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20 {1} THE PERSONNEL WHO CONDUCTED THE DATA BASE SEARCHES AND  
18 PERSONNEL RESPONSIBLE FOR INDEXING ALL ASPECTS OF THE 194  
INVESTIGATIONS INVOLVING APPOINTEE;

16 {2} THE PERSONNEL WHO CONDUCTED THE CHECK OF THE RECORDS  
OF THE BOSTON HERALD AND ACCEPTED THE STATEMENT FROM THE  
LIBRARIAN THAT NO DEROGATORY ARTICLES WERE AVAILABLE CONCERNING  
14 APPOINTEE;

12 {3} THE PERSONNEL RESPONSIBLE FOR CONDUCTING THE INTERVIEW  
OF APPOINTEE; AND

10 {4} SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL RESPONSIBLE FOR CAPTIONED  
MATTER.

8 QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER, AS WELL AS BOSTON'S  
RESPONSES TO THE ABOVE, SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO SECTION CHIEF  
JULIAN DE LA ROSA, CIVIL RIGHTS/SPECIAL INQUIRY SECTION, ROOM  
6 5155, TELEPHONE NUMBER 324-2801.

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8/3/87. Re teletype from Acting Director, FBI, to Boston,

Enclosed for FBIHQ are the following documents:

1. Boston airtel to Director, dated 7/20/87 reporting all indices checks conducted 7/16/87 re appointee and relatives, BS File 161A-6213, serial 23.

2. Documents from BS File 194C-450 captioned:

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 CORRUPTION WITHIN THE  
 BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY;  
 HOBBS ACT - CPO;  
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a) Serial 1, an airtel dated 9/19/86 from SAC, Boston to Director with enclosure, a three (3) page LHM.

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b) Serial 63, an FD-302, interview conducted by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] on 9/17 and 18, 1986 and dictated 9/23/86, typed 9/30/86.

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c) Serial 67, an airtel from SAC, Boston to Director, FBI, dated 5/22/87, with a three (3) page LHM enclosed.

SSA [redacted] and SA [redacted] caused to be searched again all Boston indices and personally reviewed all references to appointee. With the exception of the documents enclosed, the references contain no derogatory information, comments or negative inferences concerning appointee.

Report of SA [redacted] dated 7/22/87, cover page erroneously references a Boston airtel to Director, dated 7/16/87. That airtel was in fact dated 7/20/87, although the indices searches were conducted by Elsur Indices Clerk, [redacted] on 7/16/87. She had advised SA [redacted] that her indices searches pertaining to appointee and relatives were "negative", and that she was preparing an airtel that day reporting same. SA [redacted] included [redacted] oral report in the administrative section of his report and references her airtel believing it would be sent dated 7/16/87. When his report was signed out by relief SA [redacted] Ms. [redacted] airtel of 7/20/87 had not yet been indexed and filed and was not available for review to correct erroneous reference or even suggest that "non-derogatory" references concerning appointee had been located and reviewed.

With reference to your request that Boston review and submit copies of newspaper articles from the Boston Herald morgue, see report of [redacted] dated 7/23/87, page 31, the Boston Herald's policy is to furnish any articles they deem derogatory following their review. They will not allow FBI Agents to search and review their morgue. The Boston Globe's long standing policy has been to deny access to the FBI to their morgue and they will not conduct a review and/or make available any articles, regardless of content.

Regarding the "full details of the interview conducted of the appointee", see report of [redacted] dated 7/23/87, page 6; appointee made himself available for only a few minutes on 7/14/87, just before departing for Logan Airport on a trip from which he was not returning to Boston until 7/24/87. He referred SA [redacted] to his [redacted]

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see pp. 7-8 of [ ] report for details. All relevant in-depth questions concerning appointee's alcohol abuse, drug use, financial dealings and suitability for a sensitive position with the United States Government were specifically asked of Ms. [ ] who prepared appointee's SF-86 in conjunction with appointee for submission to the Government. Some additional details resulted from this interview, but no mention was made of appointee's involvement in matter which led to his appearing before FGJ in 1986 relative to allegations in BS file 194C-450.

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Appointee's unavailability for an indepth interview was telephonically discussed with FBIHQ and consideration of extending the Buded, evaluated and decided against. FBIHQ accepted the alternative of a limited inquiry of appointee and referral to his [ ].



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7/20/87

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
ATTENTION: [REDACTED] SPIN ROOM 1B035

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Boston Division General and Elsur Indices by Clerk  
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[REDACTED] all negative re appointee and relatives on 7/16/87  
except several nonderogatory references to appointee.

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Re Bureau telcall from Supervisory Special Agent (SSA) [redacted] to SSA [redacted] on 9/18/86 and Boston teletype to Bureau dated 9/16/86, captioned "UNSUBS; CORRUPTION WITHIN THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (BRA); HOBBS ACT - CPO; OO:BOSTON," Boston file number 194C-420.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and three copies of an LHM setting forth the synopsis of this matter. A copy of the LHM is being disseminated to the United States Attorney's Office, Boston, Massachusetts, Attention: AUSA [redacted]

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Boston will open a separate investigation regarding the information that was provided in referenced Boston teletype to the Bureau.

Investigation at Boston is continuing.

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Boston, Massachusetts

September 19, 1986

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This investigation was predicated upon receipt of  
information by the United States Attorney's Office, Boston,  
Massachusetts on September 8, 1986. Earlier this summer, [redacted]

[redacted] sent  
Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) [redacted] District  
of Massachusetts, Boston, Massachusetts, a letter which outlined  
allegations of possible misconduct during former Mayor KEVIN H.  
WHITE's Administration. The source of this allegation was  
unnamed but identified as an [redacted]

[redacted] at the time of the  
questionable transaction. The allegation is that John Hancock  
Company, Boston, Massachusetts, was pressured by former Mayor  
WHITE into making a four million dollar corporate gift to Boston  
University in order to get a change in a development agreement  
which had been made with the City of Boston in the late 1960's.  
This change was sought in the summer of 1982. The original  
agreement that John Hancock had entered into with the City of  
Boston was that once the new John Hancock Tower was built,  
another office building owned by Hancock at 197 Clarendon Street,  
Boston, Massachusetts, would be demolished and in its place a  
park would be constructed for the citizens of the City.

In 1982, Hancock determined that it wished to use this  
older building and sought the city's approval to change the deal  
accordingly. A number of city approvals were necessary to  
effectuate this change, the first and most important being that  
of the BRA. The BRA and other city agencies approved the change  
in late 1982 and early 1983.

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The implication of the allegation is that former Mayor KEVIN WHITE would only approve this change if John Hancock made a four million dollar gift to the School of Engineering at Boston University (BU), which BU President JOHN SILBER was in the process of building.

Investigation to date has revealed that John Hancock has made a four and one half million dollar contribution to BU in early 1983. Various records and reports confirm that John Hancock was able to get this agreement with the City of Boston changed during the same time period.

BRA records for the fall of 1982 confirmed that SILBER was calling BRA [redacted] about the Hancock matter in October, 1982. A newspaper article from early 1984, about the relationship between KEVIN WHITE and JOHN SILBER, reports that the Hancock contribution to BU came out of a private meeting between KEVIN WHITE and the Hancock Chairman of the Board JOHN McELWEE. In this same article, a BRA Spokesman states that there was no relationship whatsoever between BU and the City's approval of John Hancock's proposal to change their agreement with the City.

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KEVIN WHITE and SILBER have had a long-standing personal relationship and when WHITE left Boston City Hall during January, 1984, WHITE went to work at BU reportedly at a salary of \$100,000 a year as a Professor. BU also hired several of WHITE's political aides in early 1984, including [redacted]

[redacted] SILBER also hired WHITE's [redacted] many years ago as a consultant, paying her approximately \$20,000 per year for her part-time services.

Additionally, SILBER is alleged to have engaged in strong-arm tactics among BU Administrators in order to raise campaign funds for former Mayor WHITE during his re-election campaigns.

[redacted] has been subpoenaed before a Federal Grand Jury, Boston, Massachusetts, and he appeared before the Grand Jury on September 17, 1986 at which time he testified regarding [redacted]

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Also a detailed interview was conducted with JOHN McELWEE, Chairman of the Board, John Hancock, Boston, Massachusetts, regarding the aforementioned allegation. McELWEE

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provided detailed information of what transpired between John Hancock and the City of Boston.

Boston is attempting to ascertain the BRA Attorney who made the aforementioned allegation at which time he will be interviewed. Boston will also interview the BRA officials who participated in the review and decision process on the Hancock matter as well as Hancock personnel who are involved in this transaction. Records of the BRA, Boston University, and John Hancock will be located, obtained, and reviewed by the FBI.

The facts of this matter were discussed with Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) [redacted] Boston, Massachusetts, and AUSA [redacted] concurred that this investigation was warranted and advised that he would prosecute officials from the City of Boston if sufficient evidence was developed.

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JOHN G. McELWEE, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer,  
John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, Boston,  
Massachusetts, telephone number (617) 421-2870, was advised of  
the identities of the interviewing Agents and the nature of the  
inquiry. He thereafter furnished the following information:

McELWEE resides at 3 Longfellow Road, Winchester,  
Massachusetts, telephone number (617) 729-2709.

McELWEE has been employed by the John Hancock Mutual  
Life Insurance Company for a period of 41 years.

On January 1, 1982, he became Chairman and Chief  
Executive Officer of John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company.  
Prior to that from January, 1979 until his present position, he  
was President. From October, 1972 until January, 1979, he held a  
position of Senior Vice President and Assistant Secretary.  
During this period of time, he had the official responsibility  
for real estate.

From August 1, 1965 through October, 1972, he was Vice  
President of Personnel at John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance  
Company.

McELWEE explained that the John Hancock Mutual Life  
Insurance Company began construction on their tower building  
during August, 1968. The Hancock Tower was not completed and  
occupied until the last week of January, 1976. Originally the  
Hancock Tower was intended to be occupied during late 1972 or  
early 1973. The Hancock Tower consists of 62 architectural  
stories and of two million square feet of office space.

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It was originally thought that the Hancock Tower would satisfy Hancock's office space needs until at least the year 2000.

McELWEE advised that KENNETH F. MacIVER, Corporate Secretary, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, was the officer in charge of home office real estate until he retired during September or October, 1972. It was at this point that McELWEE became Senior Vice President and Secretary and had the official responsibility for real estate. McELWEE oversaw the day to day operations of ELBERT PROUTY, who was in charge of the tower construction. WALTER GALLAGHER was PROUTY's number two man in administrative operations and home office real estate.

It was during October, 1972, that both PROUTY and GALLAGHER retired from John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company.

McELWEE advised that he does not recall any meetings with city officials regarding the Clarendon Building and the John Hancock Tower. The negotiations regarding the tower and the Clarendon Building were handled by PROUTY, GALLAGHER, and [redacted] with John Hancock's Investment Real Estate Division. These people had dealings with city officials and the various agencies from the City of Boston regarding the approvals of the Hancock Tower and the Clarendon Building.

ROBERT LONDERGAN (deceased) was the individual from John Hancock's Law Department who assisted with the legal matters regarding the aforementioned project.

Hancock's agreement with the City of Boston was that once the Hancock Tower was completed, the old Clarendon Building (which was owned by John Hancock) would be demolished and a city park would be created. Also John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company agreed to finish the exterior facade on the Berkeley Building and also construct a small addition that would be used as a public service facility.

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At this point of the interview, McELWEE requested that [redacted] for John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company be present. McELWEE stated that [redacted] is also a member of the Board of Directors of John Hancock.

McELWEE explained that while the Hancock Tower was being constructed, Copley Square was being rehabilitated and open space

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was created in front of Trinity Church. This open space had some effect on the wind currents in that area and that any additional open space would be very undesirable because of the high winds, etc.

JERRY BLEUKEN, then Chairman of the Board, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, met on at least two occasions with former Mayor KEVIN WHITE, City of Boston, regarding the Clarendon Building. The original plans and agreement with the City of Boston regarding the Clarendon Building was that once the Hancock Tower was completed, the Clarendon Building would be raised. During 1971 through 1972, there were a series of incidents of glass failure at the Hancock Tower which were potentially very hazardous. A decision had been made by Hancock officials as well as various agencies from the City of Boston that all glass in the Hancock Tower would be removed and replaced with plywood until a remedy could be found regarding the glass failure. He believes it was during late 1974 that a resolution was reached and the glass began to be replaced in the tower.

During this period of time, McELWEE believes there was an oral agreement between John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company and the City of Boston by which the plans for raising the Clarendon Building would be suspended until the Hancock Tower glass problem was resolved and the building occupied.

McELWEE learned of the aforementioned agreement between John Hancock and the City of Boston from the former Chairman of the Board.

Hancock began to move its people into the tower building all through 1976 and early 1977. At this point, all employees from the Clarendon Building had been moved into the Hancock Tower.

McELWEE stated that in 1976 or 1977, two things happened regarding the Clarendon Building. A proposal emerged (not from John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company) that the Clarendon Building should be rehabilitated and occupied by a non-profit institution. He heard of this proposal through JERRY BLEUKEN, former Chairman of the Board, John Hancock. McELWEE stated that this proposal never materialized and he cannot recall the reasons why it did not materialize.

Also sometime during 1976 or 1977, former Mayor KEVIN WHITE made a visit to the John Hancock Tower with some dignitary. It was during this visit that Mayor WHITE met with EDWARD MATZ, President, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. The Mayor stopped by to say hello to MATZ and it was during this visit that MATZ said to the Mayor that we should get together and talk about the resolution of the Clarendon Building. John



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Hancock Mutual Life Insurance officials had heard that the City of Boston was beginning to question additional open space in that area because of the wind situation. It was the City of Boston that first indicated to John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company that the Clarendon Building could possibly remain standing and remain a tax-producing piece of property.

Sometime in 1978 or 1979, MATZ was invited to the Parkman House, Beacon Street, Boston, Massachusetts, by Mayor WHITE to discuss the Clarendon Building. MATZ asked McELWEE to accompany him to this meeting. McELWEE recalls that this meeting took place at approximately 8:30 or 9:00 AM and in attendance were himself, MATZ, and Mayor KEVIN WHITE. During this breakfast meeting, they spoke about the Clarendon Building in general terms. McELWEE also recalls that MATZ updated the Mayor on the present condition of the Hancock Tower and also the possible use of the Clarendon Building for a non-profit entity. He recalls there was some discussion about the pros and cons about raising the Clarendon Building as opposed to retaining the building. McELWEE could not recall if this topic was initiated by the Mayor or MATZ.

MATZ and McELWEE wanted to ascertain from the Mayor what should be done with the Clarendon Building. The Mayor informed these individuals that he (the Mayor) would re-contact them at a later date with his decision. McELWEE, in his mind, thought that the Mayor would get back to them within a few weeks.

When McELWEE went into this meeting, he was fully convinced that John Hancock would tear down the Clarendon Building. McELWEE believes there was a second meeting with the Mayor regarding this subject but he is not sure when this meeting took place, the date and who attended.

On January 1, 1979, ED MATZ became Chairman of the Board of John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. McELWEE believes that sometime after this date, there may have been a proposal from the City of Boston asking John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company if they would be interested in keeping the Clarendon Building. This proposal would allow Hancock to use the Clarendon Building provided there was some public use. McELWEE heard of this proposal through ROBERT LONDERGON and WALTER GALLAGHER. The City of Boston also needed additional space and if Hancock agreed to allow the City to use some of the Clarendon Building's space, the City would allow the Clarendon Building to remain standing.

Again, McELWEE stated that this proposal did not stem from John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company but rather from the City of Boston.

John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company was not agreeable to this proposal because Hancock did not want any third parties in their buildings, certainly not a city agency. According to McELWEE, that proposal never went anywhere except it clarified for the officials at John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company that maybe the Clarendon Building would not have to be raised.

McELWEE believes that sometime in 1979 the Mayor's Office or the Mayor WHITE called McELWEE or he (McELWEE) possibly called the Mayor requesting a meeting regarding the status of the Clarendon Building. It was during this time-frame that John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company began to feel space constraints in their tower building. Again the Clarendon Building had been vacant since the Tower was occupied during late 1976 or early 1977.

Because of additional needed office space, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company hoped that if there was some chance that the Clarendon Building could be salvaged, they would like to save this building for their needed space.

McELWEE advised that on October 10, 1979, [redacted] John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, and Mr. [redacted] (Meredith and Grew) met with [redacted] Boston Redevelopment Authority for the purpose of requesting that John Hancock be allowed to re-assess the use of the Clarendon Building. [redacted] advised that the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) would take this request under advisement.

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During September, 1979, [redacted] received a verbal indication from the BRA through [redacted] that the City would not object to John Hancock re-assessing the use of the Clarendon Building.

On June 9, 1980, the Director's Building Committee approved the vertical scheme of rehabilitation on the Clarendon Building and authorized the appropriate Hancock officials to make a proposal to the City of Boston. This scheme provided a capital outlay of approximately \$22,000,000 and provided approximately 200,000 square feet of Class A office rental space and 200,000 square feet for John Hancock's administrative use.



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During July, 1980, ED MATZ and [ ] met with Mayor KEVIN WHITE and BRA [ ]. During this meeting, the Mayor indicated he did not object to John Hancock presenting a new proposal on the Clarendon parcel but made it quite clear that such a proposal must include some sort of a commitment to the City of Boston.

On August 12, 1980, John Hancock made a formal presentation to the BRA. Representing John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company was [ ] (Meredith and Grew), and Mr. [ ] and Mr. [ ] (Jung Brannen Associates). The proposal that was presented to the BRA included approximately 10,000 square feet of office space on the first floor which would be for public use.

During October, 1980, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company officials learned through [ ] that BRA [ ] indicated that the deal could probably be made if John Hancock agreed to rent 175,000 square feet of office space at the Clarendon Building to the City of Boston for use by various departments of the City Administration.

During January, 1981, McELWEE advised that [ ] met with BRA [ ] and informed [ ] that John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company did not wish to lease any space in the Clarendon Building to the City of Boston.

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On October 29, 1981, at the Mayor's request, Mr. MATZ and McELWEE met with Mayor WHITE. During this meeting, the Mayor indicated that many things had changed in the City and he thought that within the next 30-40 days, the City of Boston would be able to furnish John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company a decision on the Clarendon Building proposal.

On November 17, 1981, [ ] and [ ] met with BRA [ ]. At this meeting, [ ] proposed that John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company make a contribution which would be used to finance a public improvement such as the re-design of Copley Plaza. John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company indicated to [ ] that such a commitment would be preferable to providing space in the Clarendon Building as long as the price tag was not unreasonable.

Also on November 17, 1981, McELWEE received a letter from Mayor KEVIN WHITE inviting him to become a member of the Cablevision Committee, which was a non-profit access corporation. This letter was dated November 13, 1981. This letter also indicated that [ ] of Boston University would be handling

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this matter for Mayor KEVIN WHITE. McELWEE stated that he was familiar with [ ] name and knew that [ ] was formerly employed in some capacity by Mayor KEVIN WHITE.

When McELWEE received the aforementioned letter, he gave it to [ ] Legal Counsel, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, for an opinion.

On November 24, 1981, McELWEE met with [ ] at his office at John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. During this meeting [ ] explained in broad terms what this commission would do and the objectives of the commission. McELWEE stated that to the best of his recollection, there was no talk from [ ] about John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company making a contribution to Boston University.

On January 14, 1982, a letter was received at John Hancock from [ ] on BU stationery. [ ] was responding to a letter that was composed by [ ] following his review of Mayor WHITE's letter on the Cablevision Committee mentioned above.

Also during January, 1982, BRA [ ] called [ ] and indicated that if John Hancock would buy Mr. [ ] ownership in Tent City and donate this land to the city, a deal could probably be made on the Clarendon Building.

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During February, 1982, BRA [ ] called and indicated the price tag on Tent City to be somewhere between 1.5 million and 4.4 million dollars. Mr. [ ] indicated the price was too high and asked if he [ ] could find other interested parties to share the cost [ ] informed [ ] that he [ ] would talk to the Copley Place Developer.

McELWEE advised that prior to receiving the letter from Mayor KEVIN WHITE inviting him to be a member of the Cablevision Committee, he was informed by [ ] that the rumor was that he (McELWEE) would be approached by the Mayor and asked to sit on the Cablevision Committee in the City of Boston. McELWEE's reaction was he did not want to do this but if it meant Hancock keeping the Clarendon Building, he would be willing to do this. He told [ ] to have a message filter back to the Mayor in a nice way that McELWEE was extremely busy and could not participate in this committee, but if it was the Mayor's wish, McELWEE could be persuaded.

On April 15, 1982, there was a meeting at Boston City Hall in the Mayor's Office. McELWEE attended this meeting along with [ ] BRA, and Mayor KEVIN WHITE. McELWEE's objective was to obtain some type of decision from the Mayor

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that the Clarendon Building remain standing and John Hancock be allowed to rehabilitate this building for some use which would be acceptable to John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company or that the building be raised.

During this meeting, McELWEE explained to the Mayor the recent growth of John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company and the company's need for additional space. He also explained to the Mayor that Hancock was engaged in long-range planning regarding growth and development and he (McELWEE) had to receive some type of a commitment from the Mayor whether the Clarendon Building could be kept standing or raised. He further explained to the Mayor that by keeping the Clarendon Building, it would create additional jobs for residents of the City. Also John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company would like to remain in the City of Boston but if the Clarendon Building had to be raised, John Hancock would not hesitate to look for additional space outside the City of Boston.

Throughout their conversation, McELWEE obviously knew that the Clarendon Building could remain standing if John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company and the City could agree on some mutually acceptable alternative commitment. McELWEE also told the Mayor that if the Clarendon Building could remain standing, he needed some indication of dollar value in the way of an alternative commitment. WHITE informed McELWEE that John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company would have to spend probably five or six million dollars towards an alternative commitment. McELWEE stated that he told the Mayor if he could get one half of that amount from the Board of Directors, he would be lucky.

At the conclusion of this meeting, the Mayor said you guys (meaning John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company) certainly deserve a decision. McELWEE stated that no decision or alternative commitment was reached on that particular day.

A few days following the aforementioned meeting, McELWEE told [redacted] that there are no secrets in the City and instructed [redacted] to retain a real estate firm and let it be known that John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company was looking for land outside the City of Boston. McELWEE stated that recently John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company had built a data processing center in Marlborough so it was obvious John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company would go outside the City of Boston for additional space.

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McELWEE was hoping that word would filter back to City Hall and the Mayor that Hancock was actively looking for space outside of the City.

McELWEE believes that this tactic worked and the information filtered back to City Hall, the Mayor, and the BRA.

McELWEE later learned through [ ] that [ ] BRA, felt that Mayor WHITE's figure on the alternative commitment price that WHITE had given to McELWEE during their April 15, 1982 meeting was too low.

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A number of weeks passed by and McELWEE never heard from the Mayor regarding their discussion of April 15, 1982.

McELWEE could not recall the exact date but it was subsequent to their April 15, 1982 meeting that McELWEE received a call from someone associated with the Mayor's Office. McELWEE was informed that the Mayor would be at John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company and the Mayor would like a meeting with McELWEE. McELWEE recalls that this was about the time that Copley Place was underway or about to get underway.

Subsequent to the above call, McELWEE and WHITE met at the Hancock Tower. McELWEE stated that he and the Mayor talked briefly in McELWEE's Office. During their discussion, the Mayor got up from his seat, went over to the window, and looked out. The Mayor then said we have to do something about that (meaning the Clarendon Building). McELWEE then said yes, we would like to do something with that building whether it be taken down or remain. McELWEE also took this opportunity to remind the Mayor of Hancock's plans for the future.

McELWEE recalls that the Mayor then said if we leave the Clarendon Building in place, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company would still have an obligation to the City but maybe there might be some alternative things Hancock could do.

McELWEE also took this opportunity to inform the Mayor that if John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company had to raise the Clarendon Building, he wanted to remind the Mayor of what the area is like due to the wind problem created by open space. The Mayor then said "yeah," adding additional open space in this area at best is a mixed blessing.

McELWEE stated that the Mayor then said there are other options John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company might consider. For example, the triangle block by the Turnpike is a mess and the Mayor said he would like to see it cleaned up. McELWEE was not familiar with this area and asked the Mayor to give him a better idea of where and what he was talking about. McELWEE and the Mayor then walked to another window in his office and the Mayor pointed to the Copley Square Hotel, which is located at 25 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts. The Mayor also told McELWEE that John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company may consider the renovation of Tent City which would provide housing for the City. McELWEE told the Mayor that John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company would not be interested in any type of a venture regarding housing. McELWEE informed the Mayor that he would have the Real Estate Division of John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company look into the parcel of land located at 25 Huntington Avenue. McELWEE knew that this parcel of land would be extremely expensive (between ten and twenty million dollars) and this type of proposal would be out of the realm of possibility.

McELWEE requested the real estate people at John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company to furnish him an estimate on what this parcel of land would cost.

McELWEE believes that during this meeting with Mayor WHITE he mentioned two alternative proposals that would be acceptable to John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. The two proposals that John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company suggested were a summer employment program for the kids of Boston or a preparatory program by which John Hancock would teach their employees new skills or programs to better their present skills. Hancock had a preparatory program from 1965 or 1968 through 1978, which was very beneficial to the John Hancock employees.

Again, McELWEE believes he mentioned these proposals to Mayor KEVIN WHITE during their meeting but the Mayor did not seem too interested.

Following the aforementioned meeting, McELWEE discussed the alternative proposals with [redacted] and [redacted] Corporate Operations. He cannot recall if these proposals were ever put on paper and sent to the Mayor.

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McELWEE and the various Hancock officials began to discuss how much money John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company would be willing to spend to save the Clarendon Building.



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Throughout this entire process, McELWEE had kept the Board of Directors completely informed and up to date regarding the status of the Clarendon Building.

McELWEE advised that it would have cost John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company fifteen million dollars to raise the Clarendon Building and re-do the facade on the Berkeley Building.

On March 9, 1982, McELWEE's Office received a call from the Mayor's Office regarding McELWEE's participation on the Cablevision Committee.

Also on March 16, 1982, [ ] sent a letter to [ ] regarding Cablevision in the City of Boston.

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On May 24, 1982, at approximately 11:00 AM, JOHN SILBER, President, Boston University, came to McELWEE's Office at John Hancock. McELWEE believes that [ ], John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, also attended this meeting. SILBER explained the access programming that was proposed at Boston University's School of Science and Engineering and suggested that John Hancock would be interested in several features of this program. SILBER also suggested that John Hancock should support this program.

On June 10, 1982, Mayor WHITE invited McELWEE and [ ] [ ] John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, to attend a meeting at the Parkman House, Boston, Massachusetts. McELWEE also believes that in attendance at this meeting were [ ] Boston University, and MICHO SPRING, Deputy Mayor, City of Boston.

It was during this meeting that McELWEE and [ ] heard about a concrete proposal regarding access programming to be created at Boston University. McELWEE had the clear understanding that the Boston University proposal was an option that could be chosen by John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. This BU proposal was discussed exclusively at this meeting.

McELWEE was aware of the BU proposal and had a clear understanding of this proposal as presented by JOHN SILBER to McELWEE on May 24, 1982. Also during the meeting that McELWEE had with SILBER, he could not recall if SILBER sent him the proposal prior to that meeting or brought it with him on the day of the meeting.

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McELWEE stated that as a result of his meeting with SILBER, he wrote a letter to Mayor KEVIN WHITE explaining his meeting with SILBER as well as the presentation of a proposal by SILBER. McELWEE also explained in this letter that John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company was negotiating with the City of Boston regarding alternative commitments and did not want to negotiate with any other third parties regarding these alternative commitments.

During his meeting with SILBER, McELWEE felt in his mind that SILBER wanted to be part of the negotiations regarding the alternative commitment that was taking place between Hancock and the City of Boston.

Again the reason SILBER came to Hancock was to excite McELWEE and John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company regarding the BU proposal. McELWEE does not recall if any figures were mentioned during their meeting. SILBER was looking for corporate support and he (SILBER) led McELWEE to believe that support had already been given for this proposal from other areas.

McELWEE also believes that the proposal had a budget figure attached but he is not absolutely sure.

On June 18, 1982, another letter was received from [redacted] regarding Cablevision. As a result of this letter, word went back through [redacted] that McELWEE would not accept a position on the Committee. [redacted] explained in depth about the Committee that would be established regarding Cablevision in the City of Boston. This access program had emerged as a development that was to take place in the City and would be centered at Boston University's School of Science and Engineering. [redacted] was heading this access program.

McELWEE advised that John Hancock's former Chairman of the Board was closely associated with Boston University and served on their Board. He was also a strong supporter of JOHN SILBER, the President of Boston University.

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McELWEE stated that on October 14, 1982, there was a meeting at the Parkman House, Boston, Massachusetts, and in attendance were Mayor KEVIN WHITE, Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) [redacted] and McELWEE. This meeting took place at approximately 11:30 AM.

McELWEE stated that he believes it was during a June, 1982 meeting or an October, 1982 meeting at the Parkman House that KEVIN WHITE came down from the third floor of the Parkman House and exchanged pleasantries. In attendance were [redacted] McELWEE, and possibly [redacted] or MICHO SPRING. The Mayor

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informed this group that they were trying to get some resolution on the John Hancock alternative commitment. McELWEE stated that the Mayor was aware that John Hancock found the BU proposal attractive. It was also obvious to everyone present that John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company felt comfortable with the BU proposal.

McELWEE stated that whatever the alternative proposal was, it was John Hancock's preference to pay the City directly and not some other entity such as BU.

John Hancock was willing to refurbish Copley Square as a second alternative or to fund some type of educational or employment program. John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company was hoping to pay the City directly or make a payment directly to a non-profit entity.

The Mayor then informed this group that there has to be an agreement on what should be a satisfactory amount of money. The Mayor then explained that on his way down for this meeting, he (the Mayor) was wondering what you fellas (meaning John Hancock) should do at which time he reached into his coat or shirt pocket and retrieved a piece of white paper. The Mayor then said he did not want an answer then but told McELWEE and [redacted] to think about it and that he (the Mayor) had tried to assess what is a fair price to put on John Hancock's obligation to the City. As the Mayor was saying this, he handed the white piece of paper that he had taken from his shirt or coat pocket to McELWEE. McELWEE looked at this piece of paper and it had what McELWEE believes was the \$4.0 which McELWEE took to be four million dollars. McELWEE then passed this piece of paper to [redacted] at which time [redacted] looked at the number and passed it back to the Mayor. Again in McELWEE's mind, it was clear that the number was four million dollars.

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McELWEE's state of mind was that he started out doing business with the Mayor regarding the Clarendon Building and during their meetings, McELWEE went in with an open and fair mind and all McELWEE wanted was to obtain the best possible arrangement for John Hancock. McELWEE looked at Mayor WHITE as the Head of a city agency who had lived with John Hancock through a very trying time when Hancock was trying to resolve the glass problem in their tower. McELWEE also felt that the other city agencies were also very tolerant with John Hancock.

McELWEE believes the reason WHITE knew the BU proposal was acceptable was from the June 10, 1982 meeting or from a subsequent discussion.



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Following this meeting with the Mayor, [REDACTED] and McELWEE walked across Boston Commons and back to John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. While they walked to John Hancock, they spoke about the technique used by Mayor WHITE and what an interesting guy WHITE was and how interesting he (Mayor WHITE) was to do business with. On their walk back to John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, they discussed how they were going to handle the situation. They decided to pay a sum of 4.5 million dollars at the direction of the Chairman and President of John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company to Boston University.

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On October 12, 1982, the Board of Directors of John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company met and were brought up to date on what was happening between Hancock and the City of Boston regarding the Clarendon property. McELWEE further advised that throughout this whole ordeal, he had kept the Board of Directors apprised of every situation. McELWEE did no negotiating with the Mayor without the approval of the Board of Directors. During the Board meeting of October 12, 1982, they gave the Chairman and President of John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company the needed discretion to disburse the necessary money.

McELWEE stated that the Board of Directors consisted of a number of individuals who are trustees with various universities and colleges in the Boston area.

On October 18, 1982, at approximately 2:00 PM, McELWEE met with JOHN SILBER at John Hancock. McELWEE has no recollection of what was discussed during this meeting. On December 21, 1982, at approximately 9:15 AM, McELWEE again met with SILBER at McELWEE's Office at John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. McELWEE believes this meeting was initiated by SILBER in an attempt to persuade McELWEE to get the biggest media hype possible. McELWEE informed SILBER by doing this, it would make McELWEE the magnet for every school in the country coming to John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company looking for donations.

McELWEE advised that the 4.5 million dollar grant to Boston University was the biggest contribution ever made by John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance company to a university. McELWEE did not consider this a contribution but considered it an expense.

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McELWEE also believes that if John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company did not make the 4.5 million contribution to Boston University and insisted upon a grant to the City or an alternative educational program, they would not have received the City's approval to allow the Clarendon Building to remain intact.

It was on or about January 13, 1983, that John Hancock officially furnished Boston University 4.5 million dollars.

In the discussions that McELWEE had with SILBER, he (McELWEE) sent a very clear signal to SILBER that if John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company made any type of grant to Boston University, McELWEE wanted it understood that no John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company Officer or Director or any officials from the City of Boston would benefit from this donation.

McELWEE believes that it was the following morning after his meeting with the Mayor at the Parkman House where the four million dollar figure was discussed that he called the Mayor at Boston City Hall and informed the Mayor that Hancock had a number for him. McELWEE told the Mayor that Hancock had come up with a 4.5 million dollar figure. The Mayor's response was that it was a very impressive surprise.

McELWEE could not recall if the City of Boston approved John Hancock maintaining the Clarendon Building prior to or subsequent to the 4.5 million dollar grant being made to Boston University.

McELWEE stated that WALTER GALLAGHER, resides at One Moulton Lane, York, Maine 03909, ALBERT PROUTY, resides at 107 Central Street, Auburn, Massachusetts 01501, and [redacted] Agriculture Investment, John Hancock, are presently at the Hancock Tower.

[redacted] was served a copy of a Federal Grand Jury subpoena for the District of Massachusetts dated September 12, 1986. This subpoena commanded [redacted] to appear before a Federal Grand Jury at Boston, Massachusetts, on September 24, 1986.

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 SUBJECT: KEVIN H. WHITE,  
 FORMER MAYOR,  
 CITY OF BOSTON;  
 CORRUPTION WITHIN THE  
 BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (BRA);  
 HOBBS ACT - CPO;  
 EXTORTION;  
 MAIL FRAUD;  
 OO:BOSTON

Re Boston airtel to Bureau dated 9/19/86.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and three copies of an LHM setting forth the synopsis of this matter. A copy of the LHM is being disseminated to the United States Attorney's Office, Boston, Massachusetts.

The United States Attorney's Office, Boston, Massachusetts, has declined prosecution of this matter. There will be no further investigation conducted by Boston.

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BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (BRA);  
HOBBS ACT - CORRUPTION OF  
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EXTORTION;  
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This investigation was predicated upon receipt of information by the United States Attorney's Office, Boston, Massachusetts, during September, 1986.

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[redacted] sent Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) [redacted] District of Massachusetts, Boston, Massachusetts, a letter which outlined allegations of possible misconduct during former Mayor KEVIN H. WHITE's Administration. The source of this allegation was unnamed but identified as an [redacted] at the time of the questionable transaction. The allegation is that John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, Boston, Massachusetts, was pressured by former Mayor WHITE into making a four million dollar corporate gift to Boston University in order to get a change in a development agreement which had been made with the City of Boston in the late 1960's. This change was sought in the summer of 1982. The original agreement that John Hancock had entered into with the City of Boston was that once the new John Hancock Tower was built, another office building owned by Hancock at 197 Clarendon Street, Boston, Massachusetts, would be demolished and in its place a park would be constructed for the citizens of the City of Boston.

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In 1972, Hancock determined that it needed the building at 197 Clarendon Street and sought the city's approval to change the deal accordingly. A number of city approvals were necessary to effectuate this change, the first and most important being that of the BRA. The BRA and other city agencies approved the change in late 1982 and early 1983.

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The implication of the allegation is that former Mayor KEVIN WHITE would only approve this change if John Hancock made a four million dollar gift to the School of Engineering at Boston University (BU), which BU President JOHN SILBER was in the process of building.

Investigation to date has revealed that John Hancock has made a four and one half million dollar contribution to BU in early 1983. Various records and reports confirm that John Hancock was able to get this agreement with the City of Boston changed during the same time.

BRA records for the fall of 1982 confirmed that SILBER was calling [redacted] about the Hancock matter in October, 1984. A newspaper article from early 1984 about the relationship between KEVIN WHITE and JOHN SILBER reports that the Hancock contribution to BU came out of a private meeting between KEVIN WHITE and the Hancock Chairman of the Board JOHN McELWEE. In this same article, a BRA Spokesman states that there was no relationship whatsoever between BU and the City's approval of John Hancock's proposal to change their agreement with the City.

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KEVIN WHITE and SILBER have had a long standing personal relationship and when WHITE left Boston City Hall during January, 1984, WHITE went to work at BU reportedly at a salary of \$100,000 a year as a Professor. BU also hired several of WHITE's political aides in early 1984, including [redacted]

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[redacted] SILBER also hired WHITE's [redacted] many years ago as a consultant, paying her approximately \$20,000 a year for her part-time services.

Additionally, [redacted] is alleged to have engaged in the strong arm tactics among BU Administrators in order to raise campaign funds for former Mayor WHITE during his re-election campaigns. [redacted] has been subpoenaed before a Federal Grand Jury, Boston, Massachusetts, and he appeared before the Grand Jury on September 17, 1986, at which time he testified regarding [redacted]

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Also a detailed interview was conducted with JOHN McELWEE, Chairman of the Board, John Hancock Mutual Life

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Insurance Company, Boston, Massachusetts, regarding the  
aforementioned allegation. McELWEE provided detailed information  
of what transpired between John Hancock and the City of Boston.

On May 6, 1987, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA)  
[REDACTED] District of Massachusetts, Boston,  
Massachusetts, declined prosecution of this matter due to the  
lack of evidence to substantiate and prove a federal violation.

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Honorable Arthur B. Culvahouse, Jr.  
Counsel to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Culvahouse:

Reference is made to my letter dated July 31, 1987,  
which furnished you the partial results of an investigation  
concerning Dr. John Robert Silber.

Transmitted herewith is a summary memorandum containing  
the results of an additional inquiry in this matter.

You will be advised when the results of a check of the  
records of the Central Intelligence Agency has been received.

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Sincerely yours,

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Floyd I. Clarke  
Assistant Director  
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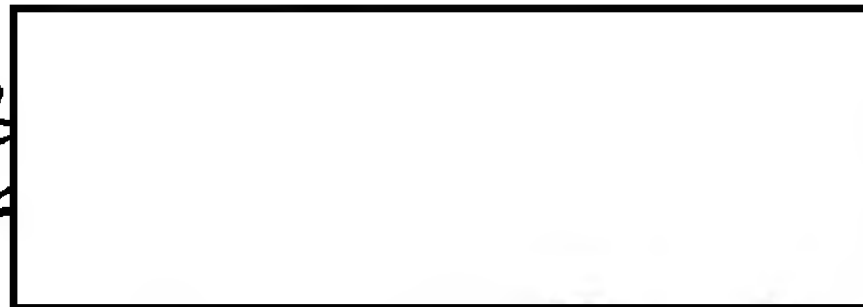
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5 ATTENTION: CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

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8 JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A); BUDED: PAST (7/24/87)

9 RE BUTEL 8/3/87 AND BS AIRTEL 8/5/87.

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11 CLARIFICATION REQUESTED BY FBIHQ WAS PROVIDED.12 WITH RESPECT TO THE HANDLING OF THIS MATTER BY BOSTON AGENT  
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14 COMMUNICATIONS AND HAS DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH APPROPRIATE  
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1) THE 7/20/87 BOSTON AIRTEL CONTAINING THE RESULTS OF THE INDICES CHECK WAS NOT SUFFICIENTLY COMPLETE.

THE SUPPORT EMPLOYEE WHO HANDLED THE INDICES SEARCH WAS [REDACTED] WHO TERMINATED HER EMPLOYMENT WITH THE FBI ON 7/31/87. IN PREPARING HER RESPONSE, MS [REDACTED] FAILED TO PLACE SUFFICIENT SIGNIFICANCES ON THE REFERENCES LOCATED. HER STATEMENT CONTAINED WITHIN THE 7/20/87 BOSTON AIRTEL THAT THERE WERE SEVERAL "NON DEROGATORY" REFERENCES SHOULD HAVE BEEN MORE APPROPRIATELY DECIDED BY THE CASE AGENT AND/OR SUPERVISOR. THIS WAS NOT DONE. IN HER SUPPORT MS [REDACTED] PERFORMANCE IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICANT SQUAD FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME HAS BEEN NOTEWORTHY. SHE HAS D CONSTANTLY PERFORMED HER DUTIES IN A FULLY SUCCESSFUL MANNER. FURTHER, A RANDOM REVIEW OF OTHER RECORD CHECKS BY MS. [REDACTED] JUST PRIOR TO HER DEPARTURE FROM THE FBI DID NOT IDENTIFY ANY PATTERN OF IMPROPER ACTIVITY OR INEFFECTIVE RECORDS CHECKS.

2) THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION OF THE BOSTON REPORT MISQUOTED THE ACTUAL RESULTS OF THE INDICES SEARCH TO INCLUDE THE CORRECT DATE OF THE BOSTON AIRTEL AS WELL AS THE ACCURATE RESULTS OF THAT SEARCH.

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dated 8/12/87

RE: JOHN ROBERT SILBER, SPIN (A); BUDED: PAST (7/24/87)

ADDENDUM: CIVIL RIGHTS AND SPECIAL INQUIRY SECTION (CRSIS), CID,  
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The Civil Rights and Special Inquiry Section concurs  
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**FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

Honorable Arthur B. Culvahouse, Jr.  
Counsel to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Culvahouse:

Reference is made to my letters dated July 31, 1987, and August 10, 1987, which furnished you the partial results of an investigation concerning Dr. John Robert Silber.

Transmitted herewith is a summary memorandum containing the results of an additional inquiry in this matter.

This completes our investigation.

Sincerely yours,

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Floyd I. Clarke  
Assistant Director  
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JOHN ROBERT SILBER

The information in this summary memorandum supplements the information contained in a summary memoranda dated July 31, 1987, and August 10, 1987.

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